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## Most on Chouteau Island seek buyout

Most Chouteau Island residents affected by the record summer flooding of 1993 hope for a government buyout of their property.

Thirty-nine of the 42 families who formerly lived on the island have signed petitions asking the Madison County and federal governments to buy out property ruined when a levee broke July 8 on the northwest side of the island.

The island is situated between the Mississippi River and the river's main channel here, the eight-mile-long Chain of Rocks Canal.

"If there's going to be a buyout, the county's got to sponsor it," County Administrator Jim Monday said, referring to federal rules that require the

county to pay 25 percent of any buyout costs. The federal government would pick up the remaining 75 percent.

"It's at the staff level right now and they're looking into it," Monday said.

"We're months away from any kind of cost estimate. If a buyout was to go ahead, we would have to have appraisals of each individual piece of property."

The total assessed value of taxable property in Chouteau Township is \$9,036,000, most of which is located on the mainland, according to the county's Supervisor of Assessments Office. A breakdown of the amount of taxable property on the island itself

was not available.

Only three of the 42 homes escaped the flood with less than 50 percent damage, said Chouteau Township Supervisor Patricia Polley.

Under Federal Emergency Management Agency regulations, residents whose property suffered 50 percent or more damage would have to raise homes and other buildings on stilts to protect them from future floodwaters.

No one has been allowed to move back since the Mississippi River ravaged the island, located adjacent to the Interstate 270 highway and bridges. The highway remained open throughout the high water but many buildings on the island had only

their rooftops visible.

"There were a few people with flood insurance and many without," Polley said.

"I know of one farmer whose property wasn't 50 percent damaged and he plans to rebuild. I don't know if anyone else even wants to go back, though."

FEMA spokeswoman Suzanne Ross said the federal government usually only pays for 50 percent of buyout costs but, because of the magnitude of the summer flooding, the federal share was increased to 75 percent.

No dollar estimates are available on what it (See ISLAND, Page 10A)

## Five sued over dog's attack

By Shay Wessol  
Staff writer

After seeking the death of a Granite City pit bull that attacked a young child last spring, an Alton family filed a 16-count civil suit last week against the dog's owner and Granite City officials.

The lawsuit, filed Thursday in the Madison County Third Circuit Court at Edwardsville, asks for more than \$240,000 in damages from five defendants, including the dog's owner, James Pourdaas of Granite City; his landlord, Nicholas Pourdaas; City Inspector Vincent Scrum; City Clerk Robert Stevens; and the municipality.

Three-year-old Brandon Pratt was seriously injured when the pit bull suddenly attacked him on May 13 in the alley between Madison Avenue and Iowa Street in the 2600 block.

According to an injunction request filed that month, bite wounds to Brandon's left arm and shoulder required 200 stitches.

Both Pourdaas and the Pratts agreed to have the dog, ironically named after the Pratts' band "Slayer," put to death in June.

Now, Brandon's parents, Kenneth and Carol Pratt, allege city officials and the Pourdaas were negligent in allowing the dog to run at large. They are requesting a jury trial for the case.

"It's obviously a very severe injury and there's a lot of culpability on different parties," the couple's attorney, Steve Katzman of Belleville, said Friday.

(See SUIT, Page 10A)



Toy drive volunteers are, from left, Dean Johnson, Rose Ivy and the Rev. John Henry Williams from New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Venice.

## Venice church sponsors toy drive for needy

Charitable organizations based in Granite City have delivered Christmas baskets to needy families in Venice and West Madison for many years, but now the Rev. John Henry Williams said it is time for a change.

"Don't get me wrong. We appreciate all the help we've gotten from Granite City, but we need to start thinking about taking care of our own," Williams said.

"For years, we've been looking somewhere else for help and it's time we started being self-sufficient. We've got to quit depending on other folks and take care of ourselves."

So this year Williams' New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Venice is holding its own toy drive and giveaway under the direction of President Wilma Lundridge of the church's Missionary Society.

Based on a single announcement at a Sunday morning

service, Williams said, "Toys just came rolling in. New ones, old ones, every kind of toy."

It showed that there are enough good people in our community willing to help."

Persons who wish to donate toys may bring them to the church at 1349 Klein St., Venice, or call 452-0019 or 452-3157 to arrange for someone to pick up the toys.

"Large or small amounts, we'll take them all," Williams said.

The church is also accepting applications from families in need.

Applications may be obtained at the church or through any member of the Missionary Society.

"We want to help people in Venice and West Madison first, but we will help anybody in the area," Williams said.

"We want everybody to have a merry Christmas."

## Assessor's budget given \$58,444 hike

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

More than two months after they were laid off, seven employees of the Granite City Township assessor's office have still not received pay for the overtime hours they accumulated.

The Town Board voted 10-4 Tuesday night to increase the township assessor's 1993-94 budget by \$58,444 to \$377,444 from \$319,000 following a hearing earlier that evening.

Assessor Darlene Laub had requested a budget of \$420,606 for the year, but the Town Board approved only \$319,000 when it initially adopted a budget Sept. 7.

The township's fiscal year began March 1 and ends Feb. 28, 1994.

Voting in favor of the increase were Trustees Casner Skubish, Jim Miller, Walter Milton, Dan Partney, Tom Candler, Juanita Crawley, Eddie Asadorian, Nick Petrillo, Bob Shipley and Mayor Ron Selph.

Voting against the increase were Trustees Judy Whitaker, Sandy Crites, Craig Tarpoft, Kim Affol (See BUDGET, Page 10A)

## Firm wants street

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

Vacating a dead-end street and leasing out a public park differ like "apples and oranges," legally, according to Madison City Attorney Casper Nghiosiosian.

Although both involve city property, Nghiosiosian said at Tuesday's City Council meeting that the prior use of the property "means everything" when it comes to a city disposing of city-owned land.

Kerr McGee Inc. has asked the city to vacate the dead-end of Washington Avenue that runs into its Madison facility.

And the Madison Khoury League has asked to (See STREET, Page 10A)

## Charges to be filed against 3rd suspect

By Shay Wessol  
Staff writer

The final suspect in the five Eagle Park murders is expected to face a Madison County Grand Jury in a special session Tuesday morning.

Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine said Friday he expected charges to be filed by Tuesday afternoon.

The third and last suspect is currently in custody in the Madison County Jail on an unrelated parole-violation allegation.

Haine said other announcements regarding the case will be made at a press conference Tuesday afternoon.

Haine declined to comment on the exact nature of the developments, except to say they "may involve suspicions that one or more of the suspects may be involved in other crimes in other places."

Two other suspects have been charged with five counts of first-degree murder for their alleged involvement in the Nov. 17 execution-style murders.

Both Sherrell C. Towns, 20, of the 5200 block of Forest Street in Washington Park, and Ramone Casa Williams, 21, of the 800 block of 21st Street in East St. Louis, are being held without bond.

(See SUSPECT, Page 10A)



(Photo by DIANA KINDER)

Girl Scouts help APA animals — Second grader Pamela Beatty from Brownie Troop 776 pulls yarn through a doggie Christmas wreath she made for the Granite City Association for the Protection of Animals. See Page 6A for more photos.

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By T.W. MILLER



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**Kenneth Hart** Porton Reach  
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**Linda Griffith** Granite City  
"It would have to be artificial, because I am allergic to real Christmas trees."



**Norman Uresy** Granite City  
"Real, because I like the smell of real Christmas trees."

## Abduction attempt fuels concern

### 12-year-old reports incident in Rosewood Heights area

ROSEWOOD HEIGHTS — Parents and school officials were taking extra precautions Friday after a 12-year-old girl reported an attempted abduction from her South Ninth Street neighborhood.

The Roxana Junior High School seventh-grader told authorities she threw her books and ran from a man who got out of a white pickup truck about 7 a.m. Thursday as she waited for a school bus. The man grabbed her by the arm and tried to pick her up, but she managed to run to her home in the 200 block of South Ninth.

News of the abduction attempt prompted many parents to pick up children after school Thursday or to wait at neighborhood bus stops for children returning home.

"It's scary," said Connie Andersen, the mother of two schoolchildren in the South Ninth Street neighborhood.

"We've always talked about how careful you have to be, but you never know," she said, waiting for her 15-year-old daughter's bus.

Andersen said her daughter Julie normally carries a key and lets herself into the house after school, but she did not know how frightened the girl and her younger brother arriving on a later bus might be.

"Something can happen so quickly. We saw all the police this morning and didn't know what happened until later," she said.

"This little girl was lucky, but something can happen so quickly."

Madison County authorities are downplaying any possible connections between the reported abduction attempt and two murder cases in St. Louis County.

"We don't think it's connected to the cases in Missouri. If it is bona fide, it's probably a totally isolated incident," Madison County

Sheriff Bob Church said.

Church said deputies notified the Major Case Squad immediately after the report to see if there were any connections to the Missouri murders of Angie Housman and Cassidy Center. Officials also compared notes with St. Louis County authorities, but to no avail.

Police in St. Louis County formed a new task force of investigators after discovering Cassidy's body in a vacant lot Thursday. She had been missing since Dec. 1. Angie was found dead in St. Charles County nine days after her Nov. 18 abduction.

"People are still working on the (Rosewood Heights) case," Lt. Conrad Baetz of the Madison County Sheriff's Department said Friday.

"We do not have any vehicles or any drivers in custody. We have a partial license plate but to say that it has been traced to a Greve Coeur driver would not be accurate," he said.

Sheriff's Deputy Ronald Veizer said authorities are getting a number of calls about the white truck.

"Everybody's been seeing the truck all the way to Belleville. We're sifting through the reports and checking everything out," he said Friday.

"We're doing the best we can."

School officials said parents are reacting to the publicity by taking extra care.

Julie Andersen said the abduction was all her classmates at Roxana High School talked about Thursday. Some parents were calling the school offering to take any students home who needed a ride, she said.

"Some girls were crying and didn't want to come home," she said.

Parents were waiting at every bus stop

along the way, and bus drivers were making sure students were dropped off close to their homes to avoid a long walk, she said.

"I never used to think about going places by myself, but now I'm not going anywhere alone," the sophomore said.

A letter sent home by Superintendent Charles Conner reported the attempted abduction and reminded parents and students to avoid panic.

Conner said authorities had interviewed the girl, her mother, junior high school students and school employees and were treating the reported attempted abduction as valid. His letter was aimed at informing parents.

"This was not a knee-jerk response. We wanted to convey the safety information and thought it would be the appropriate time for parents to have a conversation with their children," Conner said.

Roxana schools had a number of calls from parents and were taking extra precautions, Conner said.

"It would not be human nature if we did not try to intensify our efforts," he said. School officials all over the area are seeing strong reactions on the part of parents.

"The schools have been swamped by calls, and many parents are sitting on the street corners and following the buses," Bethalto Detective Alan Winslow said.

Sgt. Mike Griffin of the Bethalto Police Department has been going into classrooms talking about staying safe by staying with the group.

"I think the kids are listening. Some have plans of what to do in an abduction situation," Winslow said.

— From the Alton Telegraph



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

**Fire** — Bob Hollenbeck, on roof, and Kevin Sipes peeling siding away from Minnie's Tavern building in the 1400 block of Fifth Street in Madison after a fire damaged the building Thursday. Fire Chief Robbie Robbins said the fire apparently started in a downstairs apartment and spread to the upstairs floor, but firefighters were able to contain the fire to the apartment area, preventing it from spreading to the tavern.

## Female prosecuting attorney off to fast start

Michele Berkel has never been one to let gender get in her way.

As a Madison County assistant state's attorney who assists battered spouses, Berkel says she is on top of her world, but it's a world she never expected to be a part of.

"The great thing is I couldn't be happier," said the 26-year-old Berkel. "If you would have asked me if this is what I would be doing when I entered law school, I don't think it would have been my answer. I've given up predicting the future."

Berkel, who joined three other women prosecutors in the county office, concentrates on civil cases primarily dealing with

domestic violence and county government.

"I love it," she said. "There was a time when I wanted to enter criminal law, but now that I've been involved in civil, I really think I enjoy it more. It's challenging and it's a great experience."

Berkel, who has been practicing law with the State's Attorney's Office on a temporary license, is a graduate of Washington University Law School in St. Louis. She passed her bar exam in May and is also licensed to practice federal law.

(State's Attorney) Bill Haine has given her so many opportunities in this office that I

know I wouldn't have been able to accomplish in the private sector," she said.

The Godfrey resident said she has long had her mind set on practicing law.

"When I was a 4-year-old I told my mom I wanted to be a lawyer," she said. "There are no other attorneys in my family so I'm not sure why I set my mind to it at such a young age. I have always been very determined to do it and I had tremendous sup

port from my family."

Berkel grew up with a younger sister and the philosophy that woman can do anything men could do.

"When I grew up, there wasn't such a thing as boys' sports and girls' sports," she said. "Fortunately, the glass ceiling never appeared in our house. My dad treated us like his children. Although my mother never worked, she is an extreme feminist."

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# LSU official to become new SIUE president Jan. 1

Students, faculty and staff are applauding the appointment at Southern Illinois University of Edwardsville's first woman president.

Nancy Belck, 50, will assume the post Jan. 1, succeeding Earl Lazerson, who will retire after 14 years as president.

Belck is the second-ranking official at Louisiana State University in Shreveport, serving as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs.

The SIUE Board of Trustees appointed Belck Thursday, acting on the recommendation of SIUE Chancellor James Brown.

"I'm very honored to be selected," Belck said when introduced at the board meeting. "Among her first plans, she said, are to listen to and learn from people at the university and in the region."

"I will listen to as many people as I can," she said.

Brown said Belck was the unanimous choice of a nine-member presidential search committee and the apparent favorite of most who met her and three other candidates when they visited the campus.

"We tried to find things wrong with her," said Brown. "We didn't find anything wrong."

Dickie Spurgeon, professor of English language and literature, and a member of the search committee, said he was delighted with the choice.

"Her primary strength is very personal," Spurgeon said. "It's her ability to motivate those around her. It's her behavior, her approach to life generally. She's one of those people who make other people better than they are."

Leslie Hansel, president of the Technical Staff Association at SIUE, said she thought Belck was the best candidate and is pleased to have a woman as president.

"She brings a perspective that other people don't have," Hansel said. "She was the choice of the men and women on the campus. This is a step in the right direction."

Robert A. Williams, professor of curriculum and instruction, said he thinks the university is ready for a change.

"She seems to relate well to people," Williams said. "That will definitely have an impact."

Lazerson accomplished much, but morale is not high at SIUE, Williams said. "I hope that



Nancy Belck

comes back," he said.

College Democrats President Ken Miller said he thought Belck was the best of the candidates.

"She was my choice and most of the students and faculty are of a similar mind," Miller said.

Belck said Lazerson leaves the university in a position of strength.

She said SIUE has responded creatively and positively to the Illinois Board of Higher Education's challenge to improve quality and productivity.

Belck said the university has outstanding physical facilities in top condition and a strong budget at a time when education

funds are scarce.

SIUE and the LSU campus she will leave are similar, Belck said. Both, she said, are primarily commuter campuses with a strong emphasis on undergraduate programs.

"I believe we have a very good match here," Belck said.

Belck will receive an annual salary of \$109,500, an \$18,000 housing allowance and use of a university vehicle.

A native of Ruston, La., she earned a bachelor's degree in education at Louisiana Tech University, a master's degree in textile science at the University of Tennessee and a doctorate in family ecology and communications at Michigan State University.

Belck has held the LSU post since July 1991. She earlier served four years as dean of the College of Education, Health and Human Services at Central Michigan University, including a year as interim provost and vice president for academic affairs.

The board lauded Lazerson before naming his successor, adopting a resolution praising his "unserving commitment to academic excellence and an increasingly visible dedication to the social responsibilities of the university."

"This has been a marvelous experience for me," Lazerson said.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

**Trying for a million** — Niedringhaus School second graders, from left in the front row, Dillon Simon and Jenna Godard, and in the back row, Matt Woodiel, Danielle McGuire and Matt Paterson, pour soda can tabs into the school's collection bin that was made by Ray O'Beir for the collection project. Behind the collection bin are, from left, teachers Pam Bjorkman and Janice Dittman. Students are collecting the tabs as a school project to see how much a million is. They decided on the tabs because they are small and can be recycled. The count is at 370,870 to date and students would like to complete the project by May. They are asking anyone who would like to help to bring soft-drink can tabs to the school's office during school hours.

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE CITY OF MADISON, ILLINOIS

- A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase of the City of Madison, Illinois, for the year 1993 will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 1993, at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall, 1529 3rd Street, Madison, Illinois, in the Council Chambers on the 2nd floor.  
Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact William W. Weidner, City Clerk, 1529 3rd Street, Madison, Illinois, phone number: 876-6268.
- The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for the preceding year 1992 were \$333,244 (the final aggregate levy as extended).  
The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for the current year 1993 are \$590,830 (the proposed aggregate levy). This represents a 177.30 percent increase over the previous year.
- The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for the preceding year 1992 were \$9,727.  
The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for the current year 1993 are none. This represents a 100 percent decrease over the previous year.
- The total property taxes extended for the preceding year 1992 were \$342,971.  
The estimated total property taxes to be levied for the current year 1993 are \$590,830. This represents a 172.27 percent increase over the previous year.

DATED this 6th day of December, 1993.

CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF MADISON, ILLINOIS

# Opinion

## Local area losing its clout in Illinois House and Senate

(Alton Telegraph comment)

House Majority Leader Jim McPike startled the state last month with his unexpected announcement that he won't seek re-election next year after 18 years as a state representative.

McPike's rise in politics was near meteoric, and he is today among the most influential and powerful politicians in the state.

His colleagues and constituents assumed he would continue to enjoy unchallenged re-elections and continue to climb in the hierarchy of his party and state government for many years to come.

In calling it quits at his political prime, however, the 30-year-old Alton Democrat said he felt he had accomplished his goals and was tired of the continuing state budget problems and the battles resulting from the recent Republican takeover of the Illinois Senate.

McPike's retirement announcement was doubly shocking because his basic tenacity and the spoils of his political influence have meant a great deal to the area in the past decade.

Few ever doubted that McPike's hand was at work in projects small and large, including continuing support of Lewis and Clark Community College and funding for the new Clark Bridge.

The sudden loss of McPike's influence and patronage now simultaneously simplifies and complicates the region's political picture, which was already muddled in trying to sort out succession scenarios for the state Senate seat long held by Edwardsville Democrat Sam Vadala.

Within hours of McPike's

announcement, two of the Democratic candidates for the Senate seat, Steve Davis and Dick Worth, then, shifted their sights to McPike's House seat, leaving the Senate race to Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles, also an Edwardsville Democrat.

Bowles had jumped into the race after announcing her retirement as clerk and after McPike had endorsed his friend, Davis, the Wood River township highway commissioner.

The Senate seat would appear to be a virtual walkway for Bowles, perhaps the county's most popular politician and most proven vote-getter.

And if the gathering support is any indication, Davis is likely to be a shoo-in for his party's nomination and eventual election.

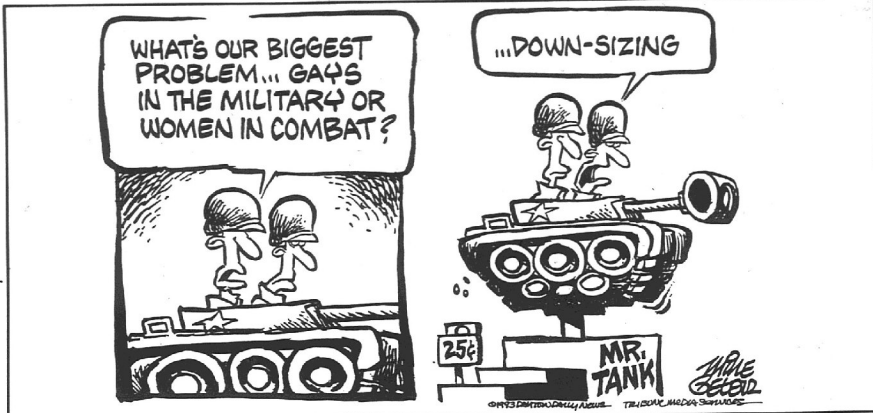
That leaves the Metro East in the unfortunate position of surrendering enviable seniority and experience in our General Assembly representation for a freshman representative and senator, however politically savvy they may be.

McPike, however, is already laying some groundwork to ease the way for his successors and their constituents.

What was shaping up to be an internal party squabble just a few weeks ago is quickly turning into multi-party harmony.

Wherever the ultimate victors at the polls may be, the unexpected situation we'll soon face will demand all the more that the Metro East leadership work to find common ground and common goals.

There is no doubt that we are about to lose a certain measure of prestige in the General Assembly. Only vigorous, coordinated action will start to win it back.



## Association for Protection of Animals not making phone calls for funds

TO THE EDITOR:

The Granite City Association for the Protection of Animals has received many telephone calls recently asking if the APA is conducting a telephone soliciting donations. Apparently there is a humane organization calling Granite City residents, portraying themselves as APA members.

The members of the APA want to inform the public that we are not soliciting donations by telephone at this time.

The Granite City APA is not to be confused with the APA in St. Louis, as they are two completely separate organizations.

Also, the Granite City APA is not affiliated with any other humane organization. Our group relies strictly on donations and fund-raisers, and does not receive any city, county or state funding.

If you receive a call from any organization soliciting donations, these groups should be able to provide telephone numbers of city or county officials that can verify such a telephone has been approved.

These telephone calls are very helpful in raising money for non-profit organizations, but we urge you to verify the group making the call.

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## Hartford plans

The village of Hartford is southbound. The Village Board approved annexation to East Sanitary District south of the Cahokia Channel between Illinois 111 and the Mississippi. "We are looking eventually," Mayor said. "We've had several residents in that area looking good. We approved annexing into and offering them what we have." Goode said there are dozen homes and a land near the 2-1/2 mile which is zoned nonurban. If the homeowners come in, we will offer police and sanitation," he said. A three-way settlement controversial South annexation three

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## Hartford OKs annexation, plans expansion to the south

The village of Hartford is southbound.

The Village Board has approved annexation of the Metro East Sanitary District levee south of the Cahokia Diversion Channel between Illinois Route 111 and the Mississippi River.

"We are looking to expand eventually," Mayor Ron Goode said.

"We've had several contacts with residents in that area and it looks good. We approached them about annexing into the village and offering them what services we have."

Goode said there are about a dozen homes and a lot of farmland near the 2½-mile stretch, which is zoned nonurban.

"If the homeowners decide to come in, we will offer them fire, police and sanitation (services)," he said.

A three-way settlement to a controversial South Roxana annexation three years ago

cleared the way for Hartford's annexation.

South Roxana had annexed land in 1990 along the channel from the Mississippi to Wanda Road, essentially cutting off Hartford and Roxana from southward expansion.

Roxana and Hartford filed suit

to block the annexation and the three municipalities reached a mutual agreement in 1992 allowing each community an avenue for southern expansion.

"I've been working on this since I took office. We had to wait until all the legalities were cleared," Goode said.

From the Alton Telegraph

## Santa set to call local kids

The Granite City Park District has made arrangements for children to talk directly to Santa Claus at the North Pole during the coming week.

On Thursday, Santa will call children on the telephone between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. For a youngster to receive a call from Santa, he or she must be a park district resident and an adult must stop in or call the Wilson Park office to complete a reservation form no later than 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Park office hours are Monday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. The park office telephone number is 877-3059.



**Winter warmth** — The Phi Theta Kappa honor society at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus collected 70 coats through a campus coat drive to donate to needy area residents. From left, PTK members Michelle Monroe, Barbara Calles, Deborah Jones and Dotto Faber, all of Granite City, show off some of the coats that were collected. Also, the PTK members were able to purchase two new coats with proceeds from a car wash, bake sales and popcorn sales. PTK will donate the coats to the Phoenix Crisis Center of Granite City and the We Share program at the New Salem Baptist Church in Venice.

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**Wreath-making** — Junior Girl Scouts at Niedringhaus School Troop 432 invited Browne Troop 776 to help make dog bone wreaths to be donated to the Granite City Association for the Protection of Animals. Anyone adopting a puppy or dog during the Christmas season will receive one of the wreaths. In photo at left, Casey Lindley carefully ties a dog bone onto a wreath. At top right, from left, Kelly Signall, Brandi McBride and Alicia Gaines work on wreaths. In bottom photo, Mairanda Nash, left, and Crystal Stokes put together their wreaths.



## Needy get help with phones

Low-income households will be able to get additional help in getting phone service starting next month.

The Universal Telephone Assistance Corp., which provides help through voluntary contributions from telephone customers, said it has raised enough money to give an additional subsidy of \$6 per household toward installation charges.

That is in addition to the 50 percent reduction, up to \$36, already in effect under a Federal Communications Commission grant to the state.

Approximately 23,000 households in the state qualify for the help under Illinois Commerce Commission guidelines. They include participants in an Illinois Department of Public Aid program and the federal food stamp program.

— From the Alton Telegraph

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## Mississippi Author finds

Some of the area's most renowned residents have materialized on the printed page.

Four chapters in a new "Ghosts Along the Mississippi" by author Jim Longo, a native now earning a doctorate at Harvard, went to Alton several years ago on a hunt and found a wealth of ghost stories.

There are so many stories around this area, Longo, who traveled the Mississippi from Minneapolis to New Orleans to collect lore.

He attributes Alton's phantoms to the nearby river. "There seem to be something about a river," he said. "It didn't surprise me when I found so many Alton's."

Most river towns are heavily urbanized and their inhabitants remember ghost stories, Longo said. "There's so much history down the river."

But some of Alton's aren't old tales retold.

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## Mississippi dreamin' Author finds area abounds in ghost stories

Some of the area's most renowned residents have materialized on the printed page.

Four chapters in a new book, "Ghosts Along the Mississippi: Haunted Odyssey II," feature Alton area apparitions.

Author Jim Longo, a St. Louis native now earning a doctorate at Harvard, went to Alton several years ago on a ghost hunt and found a wealth of wraths.

"There are so many wonderful stories around this area," said Longo, who traveled the Mississippi from Minneapolis to New Orleans to collect ghostly lore.

He attributes Alton's profusion of phantoms to the nearby bluffs and river. "There seems to be something about a river," he said. "It didn't surprise me when I found so many ghosts in Alton."

Most river towns aren't heavily urbanized and their inhabitants remember and retell ghost stories, Longo said. "There's so much history up and down the river."

But some of Alton's ghosts aren't old tales retold. Debbie

and Mike Klopfer still see the little blond boy ghost in their 100-year-old frame home on Logan Street in North Alton.

And five home-health workers all saw the same ghostly manifestations while working different shifts at a Victorian home near Downtown Alton.

That home is not listed by name or location to protect the identity of the elderly brother and sister who lived there and who have since died. "I try to be very careful," Longo said.

"Some don't want to be identified."

But the caretakers all tell of their haunting night shifts.

Although some ghost stories revolve around emotion such as revenge or anger, most have a different common thread, according to Longo. "The major theme is love, love of a person, place or thing," he said.

That can be a relief to folks who play host to uninvited guests.

"There's a period of discomfort, an initial 'What's going on here?'"

"But once a family finds out what's holding the spirit there, once they figure out it's benign and has to do with love, they're comfortable and don't want to move," Longo said.

But there's no common thread among folks who have had

spooky experiences.

"They're a great cross-section of humanity: black and white, men and women, young and old, city and farm people, and every occupation imaginable," Longo said. "The most delightful people have shared their stories with me."

The author is especially attracted to apparitions with multiple witnesses. "I love to get stories where more than one person has seen the ghost," he said.

The five home-health workers caring for the elderly brother and sister didn't realize at first they'd all seen and heard things in the Victorian home.

"As so often happens, they didn't talk about their experiences," Longo said. "It went on a long time before they compared notes."

Longo hasn't seen any of the apparitions described in his books, but one thing he does sense is the sincerity of the person he's interviewing.

"I pick up on that sincerity right away," he said. "I can feel it."

## Tree of Lights drive at halfway point

The Salvation Army of Southwest Madison County "Tree of Lights" campaign had collected \$71,589 by Tuesday, nearly half of its goal of \$150,000.

"We are now at our halfway mark," said Lt. Tim Miller of the Salvation Army.

"Overall, I am quite pleased with the progress. With only two weeks to go, we still have a lot to collect. But with a slight increase in giving we should be able to reach our goal," Miller said.

Through Tuesday, the agency had collected \$31,405 at Quad City area kettles and another

\$15,305 through the mail for a total of \$46,710 of its Quad City goal of \$100,000.

In Edwardsville, where the goal is \$25,000, \$8,922 had been collected in kettles and \$1,975 had been received through the mail for a total of \$10,897.

Miller said he learned Tuesday that the local Salvation Army's funding by the Federal Emergency Management Agency is being cut by \$5,000.

"With a large increase in 1993 for food assistance, it is going to be a challenge to keep the pantry shelves full for '94," Miller said.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE CITY OF VENICE, ILLINOIS

- I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase of the City of Venice, Illinois, for the year 1993 will be held on Monday, December 20, 1993, at 7:00 P.M., at City Hall, Broadway and Klein Streets, Venice, Illinois, in the Council Chambers on the 2nd floor.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Wilbert Glasper, City Clerk, Broadway and Klein Streets, Venice, Illinois, phone number: 877-3586.

- II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for the preceding year 1992 were \$402,566 (the final aggregate levy as extended).

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for the current year 1993 are \$477,545 (the proposed aggregate levy). This represents a 118.63 percent increase over the previous year.

- III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for the preceding year 1992 were \$52,125.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for the current year 1993 are \$23,500. This represents a 54.92 percent decrease over the previous year.

- IV. The total property taxes extended for the preceding year 1992 were \$454,691.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for the current year 1993 are \$501,045. This represents a 110.19 percent increase over the previous year.

DATED this 6th day of December, 1993.

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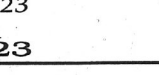
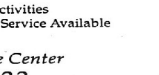
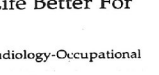
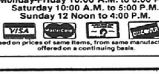
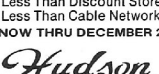
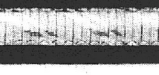
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**Lunchtime** — Parents visited Niedringhaus School to have lunch with their children and to visit classrooms. In top photo, Julie Tindall, center, talks with her six-year-old son, Christopher Buckingham, left, after lunch as two-month-old Chase rests. At left, second grader Raymond O'Beir hands his mother, Debbie, a set of earphones that he uses in school to listen to stories.

## State welfare plan approved

### U.S. OKs Edgar's proposal to reform system

Gov. Jim Edgar recently announced that Work Pays, a welfare reform initiative developed by his administration to provide financial incentives for single mothers to accept employment, has been approved by the federal government.

Work Pays sweeps away an old and confusing system developed by the federal government and sends a clear, simple message to clients that it pays to go to work and leave welfare," Edgar said. "The initiative puts Illinois in the forefront of overhauling a welfare system long on complex rules and short on financial incentives and common sense."

"Our entire package of reform initiatives signals that Illinois is on track to change the old welfare rules for the benefit of clients and taxpayers alike. Our new rules help welfare clients find work, encourage children to stay in school and make it easier for families to stay together. Acting Public Aid Director Robert W. Wright said, Work Pays introduces a new income budgeting approach that will be easier for caseworkers to explain and easier for clients to understand. Complex budget calculations will no longer be necessary. Clients can clearly see the increased income they will achieve as a result of working."

As an example, a mother with two children is eligible for a maximum grant of \$367 a month under Aid to Families with Dependent Children. If she earns

\$510 a month from a job, her AFDC grant is reduced. Her total income, which includes the reduced AFDC grant, wages, food stamps and federal earned income tax credits, will be \$1,007 per month under Work Pays.

If an AFDC client takes a job under the old system, her total monthly income from the start is less than Work Pays.

The additional dollars combined with the earned income tax credits pay dividends in both

the short and long term. The added money will help meet a family's immediate needs while providing incentives so that will make them more self-sufficient," Wright said.

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The new system began operation on Nov.

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## Wetland Farmers op

Farmers are throwing government plan to turn cropland into wetlands.

The U.S. Department of the Interior is offering a \$15 million to convert Midwest farmland into wetlands.

The government will pay permanent easement to turn into plant and wildlife habitat. But, who manages the p. Agriculture Department.

"It's a government must control our farmland," H. Joe Gerson said. "It would livelhood."

The 34-year-old Gerson summer flood cover 500 cropland near the Illinois River.

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about 1,800 workers bundles cost about \$54 million. It was the fourth refueling of the plant since it opened.

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The Venice Police Department will be conducting a field sobriety and safety checkpoint undisclosed location in from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. day.

Police will be checking for licenses, seat belt use, insurance and sobriety.

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## Wetlands plan meets with cold water

### Farmers oppose plan to set aside flood-prone farmland

Farmers are throwing cold water on a government plan to turn flood-damaged cropland into wetlands.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has set aside \$15 million to convert flood-prone Midwest farmland into wetlands for wildlife. The government will pay a farmer for a permanent easement to turn flooded land into plant and wildlife habitats, said Don Butz, who manages the program for the Agriculture Department.

"It's a government move to gobble up and control our farmland," Hardin area farmer Joe Gerson said. "It would take away our livelihood."

The 34-year-old Gerson watched the summer flood cover 500 of his 720 acres of cropland near the Illinois River, south of Hardin.

"Environmental activists are using the big flood as a tactic to persuade the government to turn our farms into wetlands," Gerson said. "They'll never get their hands on my farm."

Farmers can voluntarily sign up for the wetlands easements until Dec. 31 at Soil Conservation Service offices.

Conservation officials estimated that only a few thousand acres of farmland may be eligible for wetlands in Madison, Greene, Calhoun, Jersey and Macoupin counties.

Flood damage to a farm must exceed \$800 an acre to qualify for the wetlands program, said Wayne Kinney, district conservationist of the Madison County Soil Conservation Service.

"Only a few hundred acres may be eligible in Madison County," he said.

Calhoun farmers have been slow to respond to the government's offer. "We've had a few inquiries from farmers but no applications yet," said Martha Sheppard, district conservationist for the Calhoun SCS office.

The rampaging Illinois and Mississippi rivers rolled over 13,385 acres of farmland in Calhoun this summer.

Under the damage criteria for the

wetlands program, only a few hundred acres may be eligible in the county," Sheppard said.

Farmers who sell easements to the government can hunt, fish and plant trees on the land.

"They can't plant corn, soybeans and other crops on the land," Kinney said.

Converting land to wetlands is a "good alternative to trying to farm wet, flood-prone land," Kinney said.

"The land will be protected for wildlife, environmental education and floodwater control," he said.

The \$15 million to convert Midwest farmland to wetlands will buy only about 15,000 acres of land easements in eight states, Butz said.

"We're going to barely scratch the surface of the need that's out there," he said.

The funds allotted for wetlands easements "is only a drop in the bucket," said Wayne Poltsch of the Piasa Palisades Sierra Club.

—From the Alton Telegraph

## Nuclear reactor is restarted

Illinois Power Co.'s Clinton nuclear plant reactor has been restarted after refueling.

The reactor was shut down for 59 days while fuel bundles were replaced, along with 2,500 maintenance and testing tasks involving about 1,800 workers. The bundles cost about \$54 million.

It was the fourth refueling of the plant since it opened in 1966.

It will take several days more for the temperature and steam pressure to build slowly before Clinton goes back on line.

Company officials said the exact date when the plant will be back in full service is not known yet, but in the last refueling in 1992, the process took 92

days.

When in full operation, Clinton provides about one-fourth of the electricity generated by Illinois Power.

In this refueling, Clinton was shut down Sept. 26, after operating at nearly 100 percent capacity for 306 consecutive days, a record for the plant.

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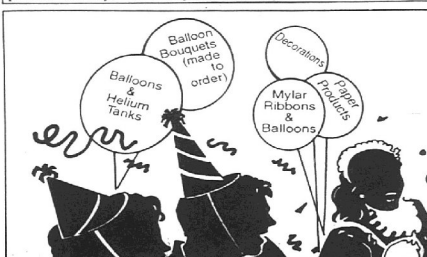
## Parks offering summer jobs

The Granite City Park District is now accepting applications for employment to fill positions for all 1994 summer programs.

Numerous positions are to be filled, such as swimming pool assistant manager, lifeguards, bathroom attendants, cashiers, concessions employees, maintenance and garden workers, security guards, ball diamond crews, playground attendants, recreation leaders and aides, umpires, scorekeepers, baseball school aides and tennis instruction aides.

Persons must be 16 years of age, reliable and courteously oriented. Granite City Park District residents will receive priority.

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## Obituaries



Martha Dunscomb

Martha N. (Heinlein) Dunscomb, 89, of Granite City died at 1:45 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was born April 5, 1904, in Jackson County, N. Va., and had been a resident of Granite City for 60 years. She was a homemaker and a member of First Presbyterian Church, Granite City. Survivors include two grandsons, Allen Dunscomb of Granite City and Mark Dunscomb of Glen Carbon; three granddaughters, Nancy Potillo of Wichita, Kan., and Brenda Roady of Mitchell, Wis.; one great-grandchild and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Dunscomb; her son, Robert Dunscomb; and her parents, Ruben and Laura (Myers) Heinlein. Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. today at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Lewis Trotter officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville.



Cheryl Mitalovich

Cheryl (Pelch) Mitalovich, 52, of Stanton died at 6:47 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 1993, at her residence. She was born Aug. 18, 1941, in Granite City. A homemaker, she was a member of Granite City Chapter 650 of the Order of the Eastern Star, and a member of the Shrine of Jerusalem. She was a member of the American Veterans Auxiliary and Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Jack Mitalovich, whom she married Dec. 12, 1967; one daughter, Karen Chappell of Stanton; her parents, Telford and Rose (Turner) Pelch; two brothers, Telford Pelch Jr. of Byron, Ill., and Ron Pelch of Chicago, Ill.; and two grandchildren.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Bob Miner officiating. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County.

An Eastern Star service will be held today at the funeral home.

## Isabel Schmidt

Isabel Corinne (Smith) Schmidt, 80, of Pawtucket, R.I., formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, Dec. 9, 1993, in Pawtucket.

She was born May 9, 1913, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident until moving to Pawtucket in June 1992.

A teacher in Granite City School District for 37 years prior to her retirement in 1975, she was also organist at St. John United Church of Christ and First Presbyterian Church in Granite City for many years and other churches in Lebanon and St. Louis. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church and the Granite City Junior Service Club.

Survivors include one daughter, Carol Berk of Pawtucket, and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph W. Schmidt, who died in 1963; her parents, Alfred T. and Clara (Slattery) Smith; and one brother, U.S. Senator Ralph Tyler Smith.

Based on Mrs. Schmidt's request, her remains were cremated. Arrangements were by Irwin Chapel, Granite City.

## Ray Lewis

Ray Lewis, 72, of Granite City died at 6:10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center after a short illness.

Born Oct. 30, 1921, in Lonoke, Ark., he had been a resident of Granite City for 40 years.

A school bus driver for the Mayflower Bus Co. for 26 years, Mr. Lewis was a member of the Belleville Musicians Local. He was a

Navy veteran and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Madeline P. (Madden) Lewis; one son, Jerry Lewis of Granite City; four daughters, Madeline Simpson of Jacksonville Beach, Fla., Diane Wingerter of Edwardsville, Cynthia Carlson-Antioch of California and Christine Osborn of Venice, Calif.; and eight grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville, with the Rev. Johnny Ryan officiating. Per his wishes, Mr. Lewis' remains were cremated. Arrangements were by Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach.

## Wilene Simpson

Wilene Simpson, 62, died at 9:38 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, after a one-year illness. She was a resident of Granite City for 45 years. She was born April 18, 1931, in Agnes, Ark.

She was a production worker for many years at Dobbs International and retired in 1991. She was a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include her husband, Grady Simpson; three sons, William C. Merchant, Clint D. Merchant and Grady L. Simpson; one brother, Bartus Estes of Salem, Ark.; three sisters, Wilma Haney of Sacramento, Calif., Natalie Haney of Cherry Valley, Calif. and Glenda McCord of Ash Flat, Ark.; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cecil and Mary O. (Lock) Estes; and a son, Kenneth Ray Simpson who died in 1969.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach. Services will be held there at 10:30 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Les Johnson officiating. Burial will be at Lakeview Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Minnie (Hertong) Cavallo.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Family Catholic Church with Rev. Tom Wise and the Rev. Bruce Hushon officiating. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis. Memorials are requested to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

## Henry Davis

Henry Davis Jr., 86, of Brooklyn died at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. He was born Sept. 2, 1907, in Brooklyn, where he was a lifelong resident.

He was employed by Armour Fertilizer Co., National City, for many years prior to his retirement and was a member of Antioch Baptist Church, Brooklyn.

Mr. Davis is survived by his sister, Lorraine Moore of Brooklyn.

Visitation is from 9 a.m. to noon today at Officer Funeral Home, 2114 Missouri Ave., East St. Louis. Services will be held at 3 p.m. today at Antioch Baptist Church, 411 Short St., Brooklyn, with the Rev. Joseph Anthony officiating. Burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt.

## Leona Delaloye

Leona (Brace) Delaloye, 85, of Union, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 11:35 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, 1993, at Sunset Health Care Center, Union, where she had been a patient for the past three years.

She was born May 10, 1908, in Middleton, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for most of her life, moving to Union five years ago.

Mrs. Delaloye was a retired cafeteria worker in the Granite City School District, a member of Elks Lodge 1347 in Granite City, and past treasurer of the Eagles Auxiliary.

Survivors include two sons, Gary Delaloye of Beaufort, Mo., and Thomas Delaloye of Union; two brothers, Milton and Bobby Brace, both of Wellsville, Mo.; two sisters, Dorothy Subbell of Kansas City and Kathryn Langford of California; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Delaloye, and her parents, George and Clara (Kell) Brace.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Carl Watkins officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials are requested for the Alzheimer's Association.

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## •Budget

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The purpose of last week's increase is "to provide for the payment of sick and compensation benefits to seven of the employees of the town assessor who have been separated from employment," according to the notice of the public hearing on the change.

But, after increasing the budget to finance the benefits, the trustees also voted 5-1 to withhold payment of those benefits. Asadorian cast the lone vote not to withhold the benefit pay.

Payment is to be withheld until an audit, authorized more

than a month ago, can be completed to confirm the accuracy of the figures. By the time the Town Board cut the proposed budget, more than half of the fiscal year had already passed and Laub had already spent \$206,000, she said.

Laub subsequently laid off seven employees due to the budget cut and filed a lawsuit against the Town Board alleging that the town's responsibility of providing adequate funding for the efficient operation of the office.

That lawsuit is now pending in federal court. Laub closed the assessor's office last week for vacations. She was on vacation in Las Vegas and did not attend the

budget hearing or Town Board meeting.

Laub has said that her laid-off employees accumulated more than 4,170 compensatory hours — more than 3,270 of which are remaining to be paid — by working overtime during quadrennial years, when by law every parcel of property in the township must be assessed.

She has said she fully expected the accumulated benefits to "go away" over the next couple of years by allowing the employees to take time off.

Skubish said he would not consider voting in favor of paying the \$58,444 in benefits still owed until the auditor completes a thorough review.

"There's never been that much abuse in years past," Skubish said.

"Do we know that work has been done? We have to take the word of one official," Skubish said.

According to a monthly list of compensatory time accumulated in the office since April 1991, only one employee worked off any comp time.

One employee took 4½ hours off in January 1993.

Also according to the list, no compensatory time was accrued or worked off in 1993.

"At least, if nothing else, we have accomplished one thing in a year by holding the line on this comp time," said Crites.

He said the league would agree to make the field available to other leagues, such as soccer and flag football, during the Khoury League off-season.

Nighossian said the city has the right to lease or sell its property, but that an Illinois Supreme Court ruling says that public property designed for public recreational use cannot be leased or sold for private use.

"That block (the 12th Street diamond) is owned by the city because the city is the citizens in the city," Nighossian said.

"I don't think you can lease it to anyone for their exclusive use. I know that Mr. Garcia said other groups would be allowed to use it, but if it is leased (to the league) the authority for its use would belong to the league, not the city."

Nighossian said that it may be possible to lease "a block of time" to the Khoury League, but the remainder of the time should belong to the city.

He said he was sure the Khoury League is a deserving organization with good intentions, but asked — if the league was granted what the city would do when another deserving group with good intentions asked to lease the Third Street diamond or one of the city's recreation centers.

"I don't think you want to set this kind of precedent," he said. Alderman Eleanor Armour asked, if that was true, why the Kerr McGee request wasn't also a bad precedent.

"What if some other company who has made donations to the city wants us to give it a street?" she asked.

Nighossian said a park is designed for recreational use, and if it is being used for recreational use, citizens have a right to continue to use it.

He said the part of the street in question is no longer in general use.

The City Council voted to have Garcia and the Khoury League lease the city's park and Lands Committee to determine exactly when the league would need the ball diamond and work out some sort of agreement.

"We've got to see what we can do for these people and best use our available resources," Monday said.

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## •Street

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lease the city's 12th Street baseball diamond.

Nighossian said the request for the street used only by cars and trucks entering the Kerr McGee property — present no legal problem.

He said similarly used streets have routinely been vacated in other area communities.

Mayor John Belloff said vacating the street will help the city because then Kerr McGee will assume its maintenance.

Belloff said Kerr McGee is in the process of expanding its Madison operation and that the company has always been very good to the city when the city sought donations for things like fire trucks.

But Alderman Norris Horton, whose ward includes the Kerr McGee property, objected to the request for the street at the Nov. 23 City Council meeting because Horton said Belloff had agreed to the request without asking the

Horton accused Belloff of giving away public property without council approval. The aldermen succeeded in having the request tabled.

On Tuesday, Nighossian suggested that the city could have the street appraised to obtain its fair market value. But he said that, since the city would retain its easements there, the property would not be worth very much.

The aldermen voted to obtain an appraisal and bring the request back at the next meeting.

Joe Garcia of the Madison Khoury League asked that the city be allowed to lease the 12th Street diamond "for a nominal fee, say \$1" for its bantam and midget baseball leagues.

He said the move would save the city money because the league would take over maintenance of the diamond and the facility would be covered by the league's liability insurance.

Garcia said that, if the lease was approved, the league planned to make improvements to the site, including baseball dugouts and bathroom facilities.

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might cost municipal and county governments applying for buy-outs, Ross said.

Cities and villages will be responsible for the 25 percent portion for buyouts within municipal limits; counties will pay for unincorporated areas.

A buyout could further strain county resources, which are already stretched thin to cover day-to-day operating costs.

The suit also contends that the city failed to license the pit bull in accordance with a city ordinance.

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Argosy Gaming Co. has reached an agreement with officials of Lawrenceburg to drop an exclusive agreement for a riverboat license there.

The change was made to comply with recent Indiana Gaming Commission regulations, Lawrenceburg or Donald Combs said.

Argosy and its joint partner, Centaur, signed an April 1992 agreement in which the Altamira firm was to operate a casino there in exchange for help in passing a referendum.

Argosy also provided to pay the salary of a full-time development project for the city.

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## Argosy shifts stance to comply with Indiana rule

Argosy Gaming Co. of Alton has reached an agreement with officials of Lawrenceburg, Ind., to drop an exclusive endorsement for a riverboat gambling license there.

The change was needed to comply with recently issued Indiana Gaming Commission regulations, Lawrenceburg Mayor Donald Combs said.

Argosy and its joint venture partner, Centaur Inc., had signed an April 1993 inducement agreement in which the city agreed to exclusively endorse the Alton firm as the operator of a casino there in exchange for help in passing a referendum. Argosy also provided \$40,000 to pay the salary of a full-time river development project manager for the city.

The new agreement requires Lawrenceburg to endorse an Argosy proposal, but the city can also endorse those from other firms that may apply to the Indiana Gaming Commission. The commission will issue the license.

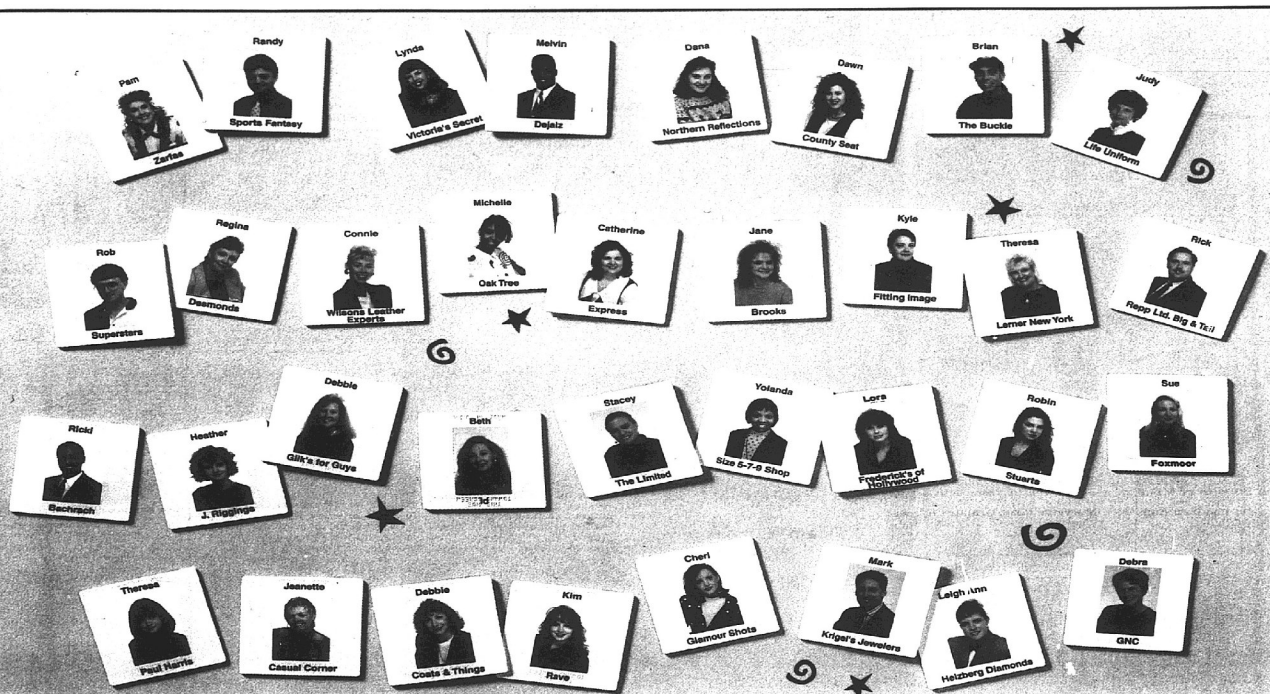
Combs said Tuesday that requests for proposals will be mailed soon to several firms that have expressed interest in Lawrenceburg, a community on the Ohio River about 20 miles from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Argosy Chief Executive Officer J. Thomas Long said in a news release that he remains "absolutely confident" that the Argosy/Centaur project would be "the best for the people of Lawrenceburg, the best for the people of the Dearborn County and the best for the state of Indiana."

The exclusivity agreement was reached before riverboat gambling was approved in Indiana. Argosy has yet to unveil specific plans for Lawrenceburg.



**Arts gift** — Target Stores recently awarded \$2,000 to the Arts and Issues program of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, an amount that helped underwrite expenses for the Dec. 1 appearance at SIUE of clarinetist Richard Stoltzman. Arts and Issues is in its ninth year of offering distinguished speakers and exciting performers for the university community and the Southwestern Illinois region. Shown here are Rich Walker, Arts and Issues coordinator, flanked by Jennifer Peters, left, director of the Edwardsville Children's Chorus, which appeared with Stoltzman; Call Hunt, manager of Target in Alton; and Jackie Jones, also with the Alton store. Target Stores is dedicated to strengthening family life through grants that provide family services and programs in the arts or social services.



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# Belleville campaigns to be site of new MetroLink route

By Kevin Glenn  
Staff writer

MetroLink belongs in Belleville — period. That's the message Belleville, St. Clair County and state officials tried to drive home at a rally Dec. 4. Speaking next to a MetroLink car parked at the St. Clair County Courthouse, they acknowledged the Fairview Heights-O'Fallon effort but said the project belongs in the Belleville-Swansea corridor.

"We need to put it on the right track," Belleville Mayor Roger Cook told the nearly 100 people at the rally. "We need to put it on the CSX alignment because our future is riding on it."

He stressed that the Belleville-Swansea corridor wouldn't serve Belleville residents only.

"It's the East St. Louis, Caseyville, Fairview Heights, Belleville, Swansea, Shiloh, Mascoutah (route)," Cook said. "It serves the heart of St. Clair County."

County residents approved a half-cent sales tax increase in the Nov. 2 election to fund the extension of MetroLink from East St. Louis to Scott Air Force Base.

The Board of Directors of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council will decide by Feb. 16 whether the transportation system will cruise along Interstate 64 or the Belleville-Swansea corridor.

Those speaking at the rally encouraged residents to contact key decision-makers such as U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville, and Les Sterman, executive director of the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council.

"We need you to let your voice be heard," said Scott Schanuel, executive director of Belleville Economic Progress, Inc.

"We owe this to a lot of people," said Swansea Mayor Mike Buehler. "We worked together as a county to get this tax passed... I think everybody needs to take a hard look at the numbers."

Those numbers, according to a Belleville Planning Commission survey released Thursday, indicate the Belleville-Swansea corridor accounts for 71 percent of current MetroLink riders living near either of the two proposed routes.

The survey asked 4,313 riders for their zip codes at the Fifth and Missouri MetroLink station during morning rush hour on four consecutive weekdays.

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The mayors of O'Fallon, Fairview Heights, Caseyville and Washington Park are working silently in their area. O'Fallon Mayor Robert Morton said those mayors haven't met weekly for the past month and will hold community hearings at the beginning of the year.

"We're going to try to go all out, too," Morton said. "I don't know that we're that far along, but we've got some strategies we're working on, too."

Fairview Heights Mayor George Lanxon said a rally might bring out emotion for the Belleville-Swansea route, but "the silent majority plays the major role here."

Cook said at the rally that he respected Lanxon and Morton, but said sending MetroLink their way wouldn't be "good for the future of the county."

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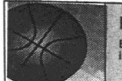
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## BASKETBALL

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VoellingerYoung area cyclist  
motors to victory

Believe it or not, I know a young man from Belleville whose Christmas will not necessarily include something with a 1994 tag on it.

He's already got that — a '94 125cc Honda motorcycle which he rode to the 125cc class state championship in October at Lincoln Trail Moto Sport Park in Casey, Ill., and to the Belleville Enduro Team crown at the B.E.T. motocross Park.

FOR MATT WILSON, who turned 16 on Oct. 12, the championships on the '94 Honda are part of more than 100 he has won since he began racing competitively in 1991.

A sophomore at Belleville East, Wilson's B.E.T. title was his third consecutive in that Budweiser series, while he also gained his second straight District 18 crown, which encompasses all Illinois and Missouri tracks.

A three-time track champion at Forsterberg, Ill., and two-time champ at B.E.T. and Casey, Matt is one of seven champions sponsored by Belleville Honda. The others are Paul Young and Billy Viviano in the 250 class, Steve Neumeyer in open, Pat McManus, Alan Middelendorf in 125 and Brian Schlemmer in 94.

"When Matt races, it's like a ballet on a motorcycle," said Tim Mertens, the manager at Belleville Honda and a longtime flat track racer.

"He has a smooth style, is consistent, fast and has no fear."

A RIDER SINCE his parents, Stephanie and Tom, bought him a mini-bike at age 5, Wilson, now 5-9½ and 120 pounds, is on a path that may allow him to add his name to a long list of successful Belleville area motor sports participants.

"My goal is to become a pro," Wilson says while noting that Jeremy McGrath of California, one of his idols, already is a millionaire at age 19.

The challenge for Wilson is to score enough points in class B events in '94 to be able to advance to the (semipro) class A level by the end of the American Motorcycle Association season.

Another goal is to place high in the nationals in August at the Loretta Lynn Dude Ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tenn.

Wilson placed 37th there in '92 in his age group when he flew a motor. He did not race there in '93 because "of it being my first year on the big bike."

BOOSTED EARLY in his racing career by JMP Cycles of Wood River when he rode minis, Wilson spends eight months of the year racing and has appeared in events in Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Michigan and has an eye on a supercross next spring in the Indiana Hoosier Dome.

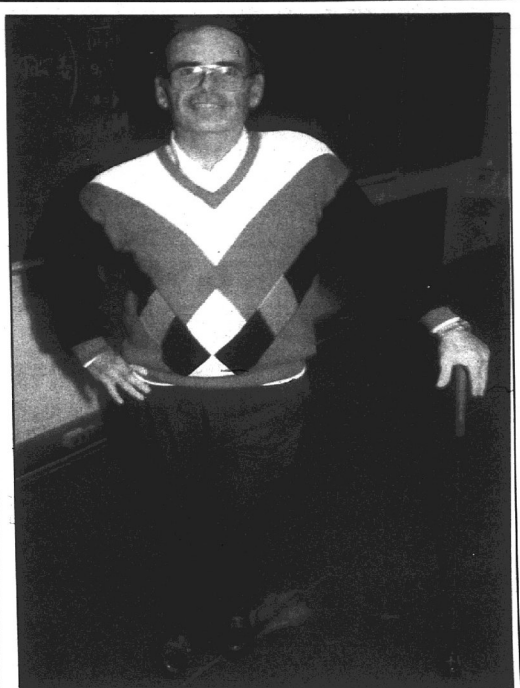
Such appearances there and at the nationals will allow him to be seen more and more by AMA officials and manufacturer scouts. If he continues to win, he will, no doubt, gain more admirers.

No one will argue that, especially since he already is experienced on his '94 Honda, which holds his interest when he is not working to maintain a B average at East.

OVERTIME: A recent column complimented Keith and Maggie Pickett for their efforts in promoting the St. Louis basketball Shootout, but there's another couple from Columbia worth recognizing.

They are Mel and Candy Patton — the president and first lady of the Mon-Clair Baseball League.

During last summer's flooding, the Pattons, like many other Monroe County families, made their home a place for flood victims. Mel did it even though it came while he was putting the finishing touches on the new \$3.5 Dunham Student Activity Center at Fontbonne College (St. Louis), where he is a vice-president.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Russ Chappell coached prep golf in Granite City for 20 years.

Success story  
Chappell's retirement marks end of an eraBy Tony Panozzo  
Staff writer

When Granite City golf coach Russ Chappell stepped down at the end of the season, he left behind a program on the rise — a fitting end to a long and successful career.

While Chappell's team failed to make it to the state tournament for the second straight year, the Warriors turned a potential rebuilding campaign into a season to remember. And considering the Warriors lost just one senior player, the outlook for next year appears even brighter.

CHAPPELL, WHO IS retiring at the end of the school year, has spent the past 20 years coaching golf in Granite City. He began this season with a record turnout of 48 golfers, and he leaves at a time when the rewards could be as great as ever. Instead, he sees it as leaving the game on top.

"I think any coach in any sport feels good when they leave on an upbeat note," Chappell said. "If you leave the program at a bad time, you haven't really done your job. I feel good about the program. The only person can do whatever they want."

Chappell's successor will have an experienced team to work with next year. The Warriors have five returning juniors: Ken Felty, Greg Bixler, Ryan Szymarek, Ryan Duff and John Green.

With just one returning senior this year, Matt Ruder, Chappell expected to rebuild. But the Warriors advanced to the Taylorville Sectional and established a foundation for next year.

The leading candidate to replace Chappell, Boone Chaney, has served as the Warriors' assistant coach since 1993. Chaney formerly coached at Granite City South and has spent a total of 15 years coaching the sport in the district.

CHANEY ENJOYED watching Chappell fit in a state tournament appearance and a sectional berth over the past two years. "The last two years have been the most successful," Chaney said. "It's great. There are a lot of coaches that don't happen to. You always hope to get those guys."

He will be missed. It's been a good program. He put in a lot of years of hard work. Chappell has compiled a 242-183-10 record in dual meets. The high point of his career came last year, when the

Warriors made their first trip to the state tournament in school history. Senior golfers Gabe Mitchell, Jon Duff, Steve Rains and P.J. Hamilton led the way to a school-record 20 wins.

Amazingly, the four golfers did not take up the game upon the sophomore year. They provided Chappell his first and final state tournament appearance.

"I GUESS THAT was the culmination of it all," Chappell said. "They just fell in love with the game and took off running with it. That was just a good group of athletes who were very competitive. With all due respect to the other teams, that had to be the best one I had."

Chappell initially considered making last year his final season, but he decided otherwise. He is now glad he did. The Warriors went 20-4-1 this year with a young group of players.

Granite City won its first 11 matches and recorded memorable victories over Edwardsville and Mascoutah. But the Warriors appeared to be a year away. Inconsistent play near the end of the season spoiled a strong start.

"It was a pleasant surprise," Chappell said. "I was impressed. I wasn't happy with the team, but the kids played well as individuals."

Chappell's retirement will not only end an era of golf in Granite City, it will close out 30 years of coaching. Chappell has coached several sports over the years in Granite City, including football, baseball and golf. He began teaching and coaching in the district in the early 1960s.

CHAPPELL WAS A football coach each fall from 1964 until 1974, the year boys golf became a fall sport. During his days on the gridiron, Chappell was in charge of the junior varsity programs.

"I coached a lot of football," Chappell said. "We had some excellent sophomore teams. We had some good teams in the late 60s and early 70s."

In 1974, Chappell coached golf in the spring and then switched to golf for good in the fall.

At North, Chappell led the Steelers to winning seasons in 1977-79. Among his top players were his sons, Russell Chappell, Dan Harper, George Bartz, Red Smith, Scott Robertson, Chris Andrews, Rob Fyalka and Mike Sella.

The team went 16-4 in 1977, the year Chappell's son was a sophomore. The team followed up with a 14-10 record in

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## Granite City wrestlers start new streak against CM

By Mike Kelly  
Staff writer

The Warriors bounced back from adversity in a big way. Following a disappointing loss to Bloomington on Dec. 4, which snapped a 10-match winning streak.

THE VICTORY RAISES Granite City's record to 7-1. CM suffered its first loss of the season and is 4-1. "Our guys had their minds made up tonight," Granite City coach Mike Garland said. "It was determined to win this match. The loss to Bloomington really woke them up. Instead of

being ready to wrestle 30 seconds into the match, our people were ready to wrestle when they entered the (Annex)."

The Warriors wasted little time putting CM out of its misery. After Mike Smith (163 pounds) of CM pinned Matt Weisenborn to start the match, Granite City got down to business.

A technical fall by Chris Hogan (112), and a pair of pinfalls by Tim Fulkerson (119) and T.J. Slay (125) quickly gave Granite City a 17-6 lead.

The Warriors never looked back.

"Their people were ready to wrestle and we weren't," CM coach Steve Bradley said. "It's that simple. We've got six freshmen in our lineup and they still don't understand the intensity level that's required up here. Instead of attacking, they stayed back and got pinned."

BRADLEY FELT THE pressure of facing Granite City, ranked No. 1 in the area and 10th in the state (in the Class AA poll), took its toll on his young wrestlers.

"Nerves had something to do

with it," Bradley said. "But let's face it, Granite City has an outstanding team. That's a credit to Mike and the job he's done. His kids are well-schooled in the sport. They know the basics very well and they don't make a lot of mistakes."

But Garland, while pleased with his team's fast start, still hasn't pieced the puzzle together.

"I haven't put my best team out there yet," Garland said. "We have some injuries and personal matters to attend to. But

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## Flyers coast to win over Warriors

By R.J. Gerber  
Staff writer

Granite City basketball coach John VanBuskirk saw it coming. As early as last Monday's practice, the Warrior leader said his team seemed intimidated about its Friday night matchup at East St. Louis Senior. It was the Southwestern Conference opener for both teams.

VANBUSKIRK'S READ on his team was right on as the Flyers jumped on Granite City early and won 59-45 in a game that the Warriors were out of in the opening minutes.

East St. Louis is 6-1 overall and 1-0 in the SWC after winning its fifth straight game. The Warriors fell to 1-2 and 0-1.

From the opening tip, Granite City built its lead. The Flyers don't have the big-name players from last year's 25-4 squad, but several talented athletes have stepped forward early this season.

And before the Warriors knew what happened they were down 7-0. The Flyers gained a 12-2 advantage on a floating jumper by Michael Harmon, who led East Side with 15 points.

THE FLYERS TOOK a 19-9 lead after one period and all but wrapped up the game with a 9-1 run over the final 3:18 of the first half. Ramond Moton scored seven of those points as East Side went into the locker room with a 31-15 halftime advantage.

The Flyers pushed the lead to 20 points (48-28) in the fourth

East St. Louis 59, Granite City 45					
Granite City	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Laren Mosby	10	12	5	17	44
Jason Black	6	1	2	9	18
Chris Kull	1	0	0	0	1
Don Walker	0	0	0	0	0
Remond Wallace	0	0	0	0	0
Deane Myers	0	0	0	0	0
East St. Louis	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Michael Harmon	6	0	0	14	20
Jermine Perkins	6	0	0	14	20
Corbett Ward	4	0	0	2	11
Conference Champion	16	5	2	8	31
Granite City	8	12	15	48	83
East St. Louis	16	16	14	48	94

Rebounds — East St. Louis 48 (Perkins 16, Ward 12, Walker 7, Moton 2, Michael Harmon 2); Granite City 20 (Don Walker 8, Remond Wallace 9, Mosby 4, Black 3, Myers 3, Kull 3).

quarter. VanBuskirk was anything but pleased with his team's mental preparation.

"It's called intimidation. We talked about it before the game, but it's our own fault. It wasn't anything that (East St. Louis) did," said VanBuskirk of his team, which scored six points on two of 10 shooting in the second quarter.

"I'm disappointed and so are the kids. As athletes you have to be able to step above that. But tonight we took a step backwards."

PERHAPS THE MOST intimidated of the Warriors was sharpshooter Jason Black. The 6-1 senior was one of eight from the field in the first half and finished the game with nine points, six of which came in the fourth quarter.

Black didn't hit the rim on his first three shots after scoring

Triad for a career-high 31 last week.

Jason struggled, but so did everybody else," VanBuskirk said. "Jason's a good player and this will make him better. East St. Louis is just a good, big, physical team and we're not."

The Flyers showed their muscle in pulling down 48 rebounds, including 18 by senior forward Jermine Perkins. DeMarcus Chapman, a transfer from Belleville East as is Perkins, had 12 boards.

Flyers spread the scoring around, getting double-figure efforts from four players.

The win marked the initial league triumph for first-year Flyers coach Ron Woods, who formerly coached at Assumption High.

Granite City closed to within 12 points (39-27) late in the third quarter, but the Flyers answered every challenge. Laren Mosby was the lone bright spot for the Warriors.

The flashy 5-9 senior point guard hit for a game-best 17 points and dazzled the crowd with his slick ballhandling.

VanBuskirk said he's not sure what approach to take with his team. The Warriors have trailed at least 5-0 in each of their first three games.

"We were just in a watching mode tonight," he said. "I expected exactly what we saw from East St. Louis; you have to give them credit. But we never had a chance. We were out of the game from the beginning."



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Granite City's Laren Mosby scored a game-high 17 points in Friday's game at East St. Louis.

## SPORTS



Passing fancy — Granite City's Kari Kessel looks for a teammate to pass to during Tuesday's 50-46 win over East St. Louis.

## Big turnout helps freshman girls

By Mike Kelly  
Staff writer

The girls basketball program at Granite City High is on the rise. The varsity, under new head coach David Weller, is off to a 5-1 start. But the excitement doesn't stop there. Granite City's freshman team, which only had eight girls on the roster last season, had 37 girls tryout for the squad this season.

"WE NARROWED OUR roster down to 15 girls," freshman coach Ruth Layton said. "The interest level was very high. But we've been blessed with a solid nucleus of girls that played basketball at Holy Family Grade School. That group loves to play the game and they've been playing together for quite a while."

## •Chappell

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1978 and a 12-10 mark in 1979.

"WE HAD A pretty good group in those three years," Chappell said. "It was a lot of fun." Chappell moved over to GCIS in 1983, and the Warriors have not had a losing season since. Some of the team's top players have been Mitchell, Duff, Rains, Hamilton, Dan Peterson, Josh McClelland and Joe Brewer. Several of Chappell's golfers have gone on to the college level. Currently, Brewer and Jon Duff are at Lincoln College and Hamilton plays at SIUE.

Over the years, Chappell has seen the sport experience a growth boom. He plans to spend his retirement furthering the trend.

"Golf is growing so much regionally that the only way to keep pace is to have a course open every year," Chappell said. "I still see kids playing all the time. When you run into your own kids, it's a good feeling."

"ARLINGTON (Granite City's home course) and the Legacy have been very helpful in this area. They've made it possible for the kids to play during the summer. The Legacy has been a marvelous addition."

Chappell left behind big shoes to fill. In addition to coaching, Chappell taught math and served as one of the school's leading educators. Chappell's daughter, Laura, coaches tennis at GCIS.

Granite City athletic director Greg Patton said Chappell will be difficult to replace. "He came into contact with a lot of kids," Patton said. "It's not just golf. He'll be very tough to replace."

Under Chappell's leadership, the Warriors have become one of the area's top programs. He looks forward to retirement and reflecting on a career in what he calls a "lifetime sport."

"We've had a lot of good kids," Chappell said. "You can teach them skills and you can teach them how to play the game. That was my main goal. I think Granite City is regarded as one of the better programs in the area. We've had programs modeled after ours. It shows what we've accomplished."

The freshman team is off to a 1-2 start. Granite City defeated Collinsville 32-27 on Dec. 6 for its only victory. It's the first time Granite City has beaten Collinsville in three years at that level.

"Our record could be a lot better," Layton said. "But four of our girls (Stephanie Brandt, Tanna Druhe, Sangeeta Kumar and Erin Tyler) also dress for the junior varsity and varsity teams. So they aren't available to us all the time."

"But Druhe and Kumar dressed for the Collinsville game and they scored 20 of our 32 points," Layton said. "But four of our girls (Stephanie Brandt, Tanna Druhe, Sangeeta Kumar and Erin Tyler) also dress for the junior varsity and varsity teams. So they aren't available to us all the time."

ANGIE NANCE is an aggressive player, but she needs a little more discipline on the floor. "She's always getting into foul trouble," Layton said. "She just lacks game experience. In time,

I expect her to be a solid contributor to our cause. Her work ethic is outstanding. She's always hustling on the floor."

And despite a 10-year absence from coaching, Layton is well aware of her duties. "We're basically a farm team for the program," said Layton, who coached the varsity and junior varsity programs at Newman High School near Champaign. "Our goal is to develop these girls in the fundamentals of the game. The quicker they develop, the better off our entire program will be in the long run. This is a good group of kids. I can see a bright future for our varsity program."

"Returning to coaching wasn't that difficult. The girls are more aggressive than they use to be. But the game hasn't changed. The key is communication and I haven't had any problems in that area."

BUT LAYTON ADMITS coaching the freshman team and help registration form, call (314) 487-2768.

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## •Wrestlers

(Continued from Page 1B) when we get everyone back, I expect this team to get even stronger in the second half of the season. But for now, we're wrestling very well."

"Our lower weights did a fantastic job putting the match away. But our upper weights have some work to do. I wasn't real happy with them."

JEFF ESTRADA (160) applied the finishing touch by pinning

Jason Marit in 2:14. CM put together a small rally and won the next two matches, but that only made the final score respectable.

"It's the closest match we've had in the area this season," Garland said. "And the fact is we're both young. Imagine the bouts we'll have with Civic Memorial over the next couple of years. We'll see them again around regional time and we'd better be ready."

"We're like Avis (Car Rentals). Bradley said, 'We might be No. 2, but we try harder.'"

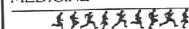
## BAC baseball camps scheduled for January

A baseball hitters camp will be held at Belleville Area College. The camp director is former St. Louis Cardinal Neil Pilla. BAC's head coach.

There will be two sessions, Jan. 3-5 and Jan. 9-11; both run from 5:30-8:30 p.m. The cost is \$45 for one session and \$75 for two sessions.

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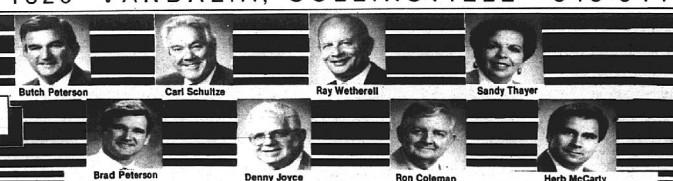
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Above, Fred Shafer  
Shafer's show truck

Shafer,

By Scott Marlon  
Staff writer

It's been a monster. Fred Shafer and his trucks. Shafer, 46, recently third U.S. Hot Rod Show championship with his Road Rod. He won the title in 1990, finished '91 and won again in '92.

In addition, Shafer spent a week in Hollywood stunts for the movie "Twister," a comedy released in June 1994. "I've seen myself during the movie, with about five minutes screen time."

"It was the first done-a feature film," Shafer said. "I'm now living in Pontoon 1995. I did an eight-crash and chase 'Knight Rider' (a

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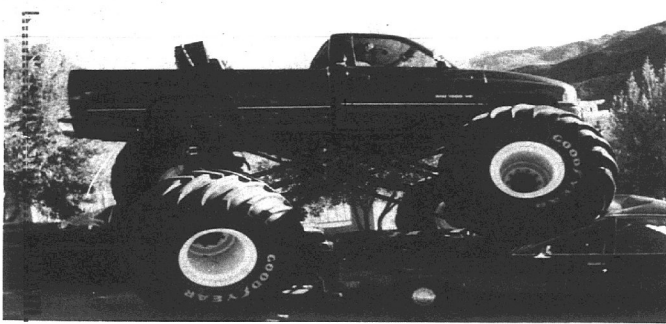
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Above, Fred Shafer's Bear Foot is airborne during USHRA monster truck competition. Below, Shafer's show truck crushes two cars during the filming of "The Twinsters."



## Shafer, Bear Foot keep on truckin'

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

It's been a monster year for Fred Shafer and his monster trucks.

Shafer, 46, recently won his third U.S. Hot Rod Super Series championship with his truck, Bear Foot. He won the inaugural title in 1990, finished second in '91 and won again in '92.

In addition, Shafer recently spent a week in Hollywood filming stunts for the movie "The Twinsters," a comedy to be released in June 1994. His truck will be seen numerous times during the movie, with a total of about five minutes on the screen.

"It was the first time I've done a feature film," said Shafer, a Granite City native who now lives in Pontoon Beach. "In 1985, I did an eight-minute car crash and chase scene on 'Knight Rider' (a television

series) and in '87 I did a one-hour TV pilot called 'Steel Color Man'."

"Around '87 or '88 I did a music video with ZZ Top at Big Bear Mountain in California. The song was 'Sleeping Bag,' which went to No. 1 on MTV."

"The Twinsters" stars the Barbarian Brothers (body builders David Paul and Peter Paul) as well as a younger pair of twins, Christian Cousins and Joseph Cousins.

"We filmed for five days while I was there, getting about one minute of actual footage (of the truck) each day," Shafer said. "The Barbarian Brothers are two of the good guys in the movie. The truck was the only vehicle they were driving."

A PHONE CALL from the movie's production company started Shafer's involvement in the film.

"They called me and asked what I would charge to do the

stunts," Shafer said. "I always try to have to have pretty good equipment and be easy to work with."

"I'm the only three-time champion, so they know I'm a pretty good driver. This movie happened to fit in well with my schedule since December is a slow month."

"Dodge Motorsports (Shafer's sponsor) realized this was a good way to get the '94 (Dodge Ram) truck as much exposure as possible. In the credits, it will read 'monster truck provided by Bear Foot.'"

In late November at the Silverdome in Pontiac, Mich., Shafer clinched his third title in the four-year-old USHRA monster truck series. It was the 24th and final race of the 1994 season.

"I have two race trucks plus one show truck, which I did the movie in," Shafer said. "I take it around to Dodge dealers as a drawing card."

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4352 Breckenridge	\$54,000
1737 Edison	\$10,000
2133 Lindell	\$70,000
338 Thorngate	\$89,500
1173 Briarwood	\$45,000
2401 Bryan	\$11,500
2515 Delmar	\$68,500
2341 Emert	\$79,900
3702 Franklin	\$80,000
5713 Old Alton	\$64,900
3 Shirwin	\$115,000
124 Wilson Park	\$50,000
3323 Edison	\$35,000
2544 Lynch	\$78,000
5026 Marshall	\$29,500
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## Ribbon cutting



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**New hair salon** — Rumors, 3717 C. Nantuxi Road, the area's newest full-service salon, has held its grand opening. The staff is shown cutting a ribbon. From left in the front row are Nicki Kincer, stylist and skin care specialist; Debbie Jansen, manager; Barb Kratche, manager; and Jackie Britt, stylist and skin care specialist. Back row from left, Donna Crow, stylist and skin care specialist; Tonya Willard, shampoo technician; Stephanie King, stylist, skin care and nail technician; Melissa Grizzard, stylist and nail technician; and Kim Karius, stylist and makeup artist. Rumors specializes in everything from the latest in perming, cutting and coloring to the relaxing services of European facials, body facials and pedicures. Other services include hair extensions, corrective skin care, corrective color, hair relaxing, makeup application, manicures and artificial nails. Barb Kratche has 12 years' experience and specializes in all types of hair and nail care. Debbie Jansen has 16 years' experience as a hair stylist and has trained with national skin care expert Robert Diemer. Rumors, 876-2159, is open seven days a week: Monday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walk-ins are welcomed.

## Apprenticeship system discussed

Dennis Whetstone, assistant director to Gov. Jim Edgar for the Youth Apprenticeship and Business Partnership Program, discussed a state Student Apprenticeship System at a recent Labor Forum held at Belleville Area college.

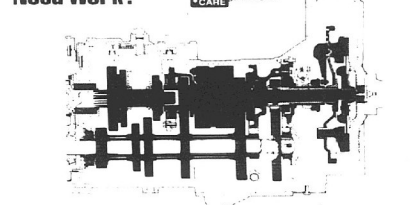
According to Whetstone, less than 25 percent of high school students continue their education after graduation to obtain a college degree. A proposed SAS would ensure a competitive U.S. workforce. SAS is a secondary-school program that systematically integrates schooling with workplace learning.

It is a close adaptation of the German apprenticeship program, a dual system of education delivered at work and school for students aged 15-18. Approximately 140 area high school students attended the conference.

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'93 Chevrolet Corsica LT, 4 Dr., Quasi Blue, 12,xxx Miles	\$7,995
'93 Chevrolet Corsica LT, 4 Dr., Maui Blue, 15,xxx Miles	\$7,995
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4025A, '93 Chevrolet, P/U, Ext. Cab, Silver/Gray, 28,xxx Miles	\$18,995
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## Briefly

## Honored by mutual funds

Jeff Prosser, investment representative with the Granite City office of Edward D. Jones and Co., has been named to the All-American Team of the American Funds Group of mutual funds.

Prosser was cited for outstanding service to investors in the Granite City area and for excellence in financial counseling in mutual-fund investments and variable annuity contracts.

Prosser has been with Edward D. Jones and Co. since April 1990. He graduated from Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau in 1988 with a bachelor of science degree and lives in Granite City with his wife, Marnie.

## Safety records set at Shell

The 1,370 employees at Shell's Wood River manufacturing complex have reached two all-time safety milestones: nine million safe work hours and three years without a work-related day-away injury or illness.

"Our ongoing challenge is to keep safety at the forefront of everything we do at work and home," said Jeff Deerhake, manager of health and safety.

"Shell Wood River employees fully realize the importance of working safely," said Gayle Johnson, manufacturing complex manager.

## Glik's unveils expansion

On Tuesday, Nov. 23, Glik's unveiled the expansion of its Granite City store.

The expanded women's clothing department will have an additional 2,000 square feet of space.

Jeff Glik, spokesperson for Glik's, said, "The demand for women's sportswear has grown in Granite City and the store needed to expand to better serve its customers." The additional space formerly had been occupied by Shop 'n Save.

Since its opening in 1954, Glik's in Granite City has expanded four times.

Joe Glik, chief executive officer, said, "There has always been an excellent relationship with the Tri-Cities area and Glik's." "We both go back many years and my sons and daughter will continue to go forward and expand this lasting relationship by serving the Tri-Cities even better with our expansion."

Glik's, a 96-year-old family-owned apparel company, now operates stores in 39 locations in Missouri and Illinois.

## Joins D.W.

## Brown Realtors

Evelyn (Brown) Spickett has joined D.W. Brown Realtors of Granite City.

A graduate of Granite City High School, she attended the University of North Carolina and Arizona State University. Her background includes dental consulting, and insurance and financial planning consultation.

She was also vice president and treasurer of Spickett Manufacturing, president of Travel Royal and more recently administrator of a local home-health agency.



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Answer: The two primary advantages are tax-free income combined with a fairly conservative investment.

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For most investors, an open-end tax-exempt mutual bond fund has the best investment features. The investor will earn tax-free income and tax-free compounding.

One may reinvest the earnings in additional tax-exempt bond shares or one may take earnings monthly in cash.

A professional money manager monitors when to buy and sell shares of the portfolio to maintain maximum yield and quality of the investment.

The professional money manager is also responsible for surveillance of market changes. Thus, they make the buy/sell decisions and this frees the individual investor from having to do the same.

Open-end tax-exempt bonds have nearly all the qualities we like in a fixed investment: tax



Brian  
Mulhall

exemption, monthly tax-free income and compounding, money available on demand, professional management and diversification.

Mutual bonds are not guaranteed and their value will fluctuate.

There are risks to these types of funds and the greatest risk, in my opinion, is that bonds are sensitive to interest rate movement.

The value of bonds fluctuates opposite to interest rate movement. In other words, as interest rates rise, bond values decline; and as interest rates decline, bond values rise.

As always, weigh the positives and negatives before making an investment in a mutual fund, given your objectives, investment time frame, income requirements, tax bracket and your risk tolerance.

Brian Mulhall is a partner with America Group Financial Services. He can be reached in Granite City at 831-7922.



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## Milestones

## Ehlert

George and Marie Ehlert celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary Dec. 7.

## Gordon

Dave Gordon celebrated his 60th birthday Dec. 8.

## Downs

Carl and Georgia Downs celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary Dec. 8.

## McCosky

David McCosky Jr. celebrated his 18th birthday Dec. 9.

## Hozian

Theresa Hozian celebrated her 33rd birthday Dec. 9.

## Murphy

Dustin K. Murphy celebrated his 5th birthday Dec. 10.

## Wright

Amy Wright celebrated her 17th birthday Dec. 11.

## Kamacho

George Kamacho will celebrate his 24th birthday Dec. 13.

## Wright

Holly Wright will celebrate her 12th birthday Dec. 14.

## Nicol

Julie Nicol will celebrate her 30th birthday Dec. 14.

## Christmas services set at Mount Zion

Services have been planned for celebration of Christmas at Mount Zion General Baptist Church, 2827 Mockingbird Lane, just off Highway 162.

The Women's Missionary Society has conducted "hanging of the greens." During this service, the church was decorated amid singing and an explanation of symbols of the Christmas season.

This Sunday, Dec. 12, the First General Baptist Church of Springfield will present a cantata titled "Near to the Heart of God." The service will begin at 6 p.m.

On Sunday, Dec. 19, in the morning worship beginning at 10:45, the adult choir of Mount Zion will present a cantata with a contemporary drama titled "Wonderful, Most Awesome Counselor."

The pastor is Alan Sikes.

## Life guard course set

The YMCA of Southwest Illinois will offer the National YMCA Life Guard Course at the Belleville YMCA Center Dec. 19 through Dec. 31.

Classes will be held in the evening. Participants must be accomplished swimmers and at least 16 years old within four weeks of completion of the course.

The course includes classroom instruction and practical work in personal safety, life guard techniques, first aid and CPR certification.

An advanced aquatic safety course will be held at the same time for children 11 years old and older. Early registration is highly recommended.

For additional information, call Scott Swanson, YMCA aquatic director, 233-1243.

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Youngsters at the Reminiscence Tea Party Room.

## Birthday celebrated at tea room

Afternoon tea was recently served to Amber Davis and friends as they celebrated her birthday at Reminiscence Tea Party Room and Gifts located at 1245 Niedringhaus, Downtown Granite City.

There the girls dressed in period hats and accessories, played games and partook in petite foods with punch or tea.

Each little girl felt like a lady as they attended the party at the decorated tea room, nestled within a gift shop, which added to the elegance of the occasion.

For more information or to book your tea party, stop by or call Reminiscence Tea Party Room and Gifts at 452-2565. The gift shop hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

## Baptist Women to help juvenile center

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Namecki Township area for the Press-Record-Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

The Baptist Women held their monthly meeting on Monday in the Culinary Baptist Church, Dalphine Kinder led the program. "Word is Deed." The new mission project program is to send magazines and games to the juvenile detention home in Edwardsville.

Attending both sessions were Phyllis Knight, Grace Cruise, Luella Ropes, Ida Kilmer, Edna Stagner, Thelma Phelps, Pauline Hall, Kay Anderson, Nancy Hostmeyer, Sherree Severine, Karla Terry, Tina Lyons, and Ashlee and Whitney Anderson.

Phyllis Laster hosted the annual Avon representative Christmas banquet Thursday evening in the Granite City Township Center on Delmar Avenue. Following a short meeting, representatives and guests enjoyed finger foods, soft drinks, many desserts and a cookie exchange.

Those attending were Julia Lott, Clara Winter, Sophia Bero, Cindy Lowe, Pam Robinson, Anna Newell, Donie Turner, Debbie McElroy, Tina Fink, Jackie Nail, Chloe and Calvin Denny, Carol Gilland, Rosa Lux, Rose Doolin, Bonita Papp, Kathy Waltermann, Patricia King,



Maxine Green

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Several games were played and each guest received a grab bag as their number was drawn. The next sales meeting will be held on Jan. 13 in the Avon office.

## Fellowship recipients announced

Recipients of the faculty summer research fellowships for 1993 at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville were announced.

Listed by schools, award recipients include: SCHOOL OF BUSINESS: "John Navin, economics; Kathryn Martell, management; Linda Lovata, accounting; Roy Fletcher, finance and operations management; Douglas Bock, management information systems."

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: H. Russell Seairight.

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING: "Emmanuel Eneyo and S. Cem Karacal, industrial engineering; \*Keen Gu, \*Xiaojun Yan, and Nader Sameh, mechanical engineering; Scott Umbaugh, electrical engineering."

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: "Pam Decoteau, art and design; \*Stephen Brown and \*Allan B. Ho, music."

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES: "Brian Ragen, and \*Ronald Schaefer, English language and literature; \*Toby Griffen, and \*J.D. Mann, \*Margaret Simons, physical studies."

SCHOOL OF NURSING: "Mary deMenese, nursing." (Faculty members receiving \$5,000 research stipends are indicated by asterisks.)

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## St. John choirs to present Christmas concert tonight

The St. John Lutheran Church choir will present their 31st annual Christmas candlelight concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, in the chancel of the church at 2001 St. Clair Ave.

The concert will begin and end with robe-clad adults and youth choir members marching in a procession down the aisles, holding candles in the darkened church and singing a medley of traditional carols.

The congregation and choir will sing "Joy to the World," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "O Christmas Tree," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "In the Beauty of the Lilies" and "The First Noel."

The youth choir will sing "Merry Christmas to You," "Hush, Not a Peep" and "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb."

The senior choir will sing "Before the Pacing of the Stars," "Come to the Manger," "We Three Kings," "Offertory," "Shepherds Awake," "Away in the Manger," "Silent Night" and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You." The ladies of the choir will also sing "Jesus, Jesus Baby Dear."

Solos will include "O Holy Night" sung by Melinda Henke; "Do You Hear What I Hear?" sung by Jackie Harris; and a duet "The Coventry Carol" sung by Diane Gebhardt and Josephine Diak.

Senior choir members are Elizabeth Amtmann, Anita Armes, Jackie Harris, Donna Kahn, Helen Potter, Kelly Watson, C.J. Yarian, Diane Gebhardt, Tiffany Harris, Mary Anna Kaminski, Barbara Schmitz, Luther Boda, Rudy Diak, Curt Hall, Tom Hansen, Tim Harris, Rick McQueen, O.T. Potter, Mike Schmitz, John Severine Sr. and John Verschuyl.

Youth choir members are Bradley, Brianna and Brittany Bronnauer; Josh Fowler; Chris Hansen; Heather and Zachary Hildebrand; Charles and Matthew Knapp; Leslie and Alex Kwiatkowski; Bert Lyons; Kyle and Lauren McGovern; Alison Messina; Adamand Amanda Moore; Mark and Bryan Moseley; Josh Nagay; Scott and Andrea Pregel; Billy and Sam Verschuyl and Aren Willings.

Accompanying the choirs are Melinda Henke, senior choir organist; Amy Gebhardt, youth choir pianist; and trumpeters, Luther Boda and John Severine Sr.

The youth choir is directed by Diane Gebhardt and the senior choir is directed by Josephine Diak.

Following the performance, refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall by the Women's Service Guild and by the ladies of the church.

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Candidates initiated into Eagles Auxiliary 1126 are, back row, from left, Maxine Tawney, with President Barbara Modrusic, and Lisa Modrusic; front row, Tammy Harman, Shirley Prater and Sandy Hahne.

## Auxiliary to aid Cancer Society

Prior to the opening ceremony of an Eagles Auxiliary 1126 meeting, President Barbara Modrusic had two guests escorted into the meeting hall for a special presentation.

Pat Calihand and Jane Parkinson from the American Cancer Society Community Service spoke briefly on cancer of the breast and also the need for drivers in the community to take patients back and forth for treatment. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteer drivers.

Conductor Jennie Orender, Vice President Ann Pates and Chaplain Connie Mott participated in the opening ceremony. Secretary Vincine Zerlan and Treasurer Catherine Kostoff gave reports.

Trustees reported on a new Granite City ordinance requiring a permit to hold a raffle. Each charity planning to have a raffle in the future must first obtain a permit and pay a \$1 fee at the Township Hall.

Sue Allen reported on the Kidney Fund, Kathleen Benda on the Cancer Society and Jennie Orender on a bowl-athon for the Ronald McDonald House.

The ways and means committee held a brief planning meeting. The Auxiliary Christmas party will be Tuesday, Dec. 14, with the dinner to begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a gift exchange.

Attendance prizes were won by Del Delaney and Frances Thomas. The meeting was adjourned after a closing ceremony.

## Kozjak initiated into fraternity

Sharon Kozjak, daughter of George and Sharon Kozjak of Granite City, has been initiated into Alpha Gamma Delta, International Fraternity for college women.

Sharon is a sophomore at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, Mo.

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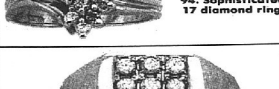
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## School menus

## Granite City Public Schools

**Monday** — Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, sliced apples; lunch: Slice of pizza, fries, sliced apples.

**Tuesday** — Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sliced peaches; lunch: Chili with crackers and peanut butter sandwich, celery and carrot sticks, chilled peas.

**Wednesday** — Breakfast: Manager's choice; lunch: Manager's choice.

**Thursday** — Breakfast: Fresh fruit, sausage roll-up; lunch: Turkey with dressing, whipped potatoes, corn, jello with fruit.

**Friday** — Breakfast: Scrambled egg, toast; lunch: Fish dinner, macaroni and cheese, carrots, slice of bread, apple sauce.

## Madison Public Schools

**Monday** — Breakfast: Cereal, juice; lunch: Sausage and shells, cheese slice, Texas toast, mixed vegetables, pears, bread.

**Tuesday** — Breakfast: French toast sticks, juice; lunch: Tacos, lettuce and tomato, corn, pineapple.

**Wednesday** — Breakfast: Cereal, juice; lunch: Grilled chicken patty on bun, fries, peach cobbler.

**Thursday** — Breakfast: Pop Tarts, juice; lunch: Lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, jinxed fruit.

**Friday** — Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, juice; lunch: Fish sandwich, baked beans, apple sauce.

## Venice Public Schools

**Monday** — Manager's choice.

**Tuesday** — Manager's choice.

**Wednesday** — Manager's choice.

**Thursday** — Manager's choice.

**Friday** — Manager's choice.

## Holy Family

**Monday** — Burger on bun, slice of cheese and pickles, fries, mixed vegetables, pears.

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'Tis the season for holiday baking, a time when cooks bring out family recipes featuring lots of creamy butter to add moisture and flavor to cakes, pies, cookies and other festive delights.

This gingerbread recipe uses just 1/2 cup margarine in place of the traditional butter.

## Low-fat gingerbread

- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup molasses
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. ginger
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 cup raisins

Preheat oven to 350°. Coat 13-by-9-inch baking pan with a little margarine, then flour.  
Cream margarine and sugar until light. Add egg and molasses. Beat until smooth.  
Sift together flour, salt, baking soda, ginger and cinnamon. Add a little at a time to molasses mixture, alternating with boiling water and beating until smooth. Stir in raisins.  
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## Saving stroke roots tradition of cheesecake

The history of cheesecake, the ultimate milch (dairy) dessert, can be traced to Hanukkah celebrations during medieval times.

According to Joan Nathan, author of the "Jewish Holiday Kitchen," during the Middle Ages it became customary to eat cheesecake in memory of the widow Judith. Legend has it that Judith served the Assyrian general Holofernes cheesecake and wine which he feasted on so heavily that he fell asleep. Judith beheaded him and saved the Jews from death.

Her research shows Judith's versions were probably rather lumpy and tasted more like savory cheese pancakes because they were made from the curd of soured cream that was hung from a bag and allowed to drain. "The cheesecake's taste and historical significance, however, grew over the years," Nathan says. "The Jews carried cheesecake recipes to all the places of their wanderings."

Today, some Jewish families honor Judith by serving cheese cakes (pancakes) during Hanukkah while others prefer rugelach (a cream cheese cookie). Another option is a more traditional baked cheesecake.

Though not made with traditional ingredients, Light Pumpkin Praline Cheesecake is both deliciously indulgent and keeps with today's more health-conscious diets, thanks to lower-fat

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Low-fat cottage cheese and yolk-free egg product replaces the traditional cream cheese and whole eggs to reduce the amount of fat and cholesterol in the filling. To duplicate the smooth, creamy texture inherent in higher-fat cheeses, cottage cheese is pureed in a blender or food processor.

To allow time for flavors to develop fully, bake the cheesecake early in the day, or even the night before, cover and refrigerate. The garnish pecan halves and a drizzle of reduced-calorie pancake syrup — is as elegant as it is easy.

## Light pumpkin praline cheesecake

- Crust
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## Horoscope

High spirits make today decide what to buy for the holidays. The morning hours show pleasant companionship and harmonious relationships get a new twist as a result of a change in perspective. Some of you have fun jumping in the air driving to work. Expect the best from others.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY**  
12) Much is accomplished for business in December. You succeed as a team player. Talents emerge in January. Your business gains momentum before fun in January, June and November.

Extend network of office equipment. There are nuptials come in December.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Expand your horizons. Make sure legalities are rescheduled, but all is good.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) You might be subject to Make long-distance calls. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 20) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**LEO** (July 21-Aug. 10) Love affairs continue to now. Avoid giving too much to others.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 21-Sept. 20) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 21-Oct. 20) The present. You are urged to who are lifeless or negative.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 21-Nov. 20) You are urged to who are lifeless or negative.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 21-Dec. 20) Love affairs continue to now. Avoid giving too much to others.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 21-Jan. 19) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) Your mind has a tendency to wander. Some of your insecurities come on Tuesday.

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## Horoscope

High spirits make today a joy. The moon in Sagittarius helps you decide what to buy loved one for the holidays. The early morning hours show pleasure, companionship and harmony. Relationships get a new look as a result of a change in perspective. Some of you will have fun jumping in the car and driving to parts unknown. Expect the best from others.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 12)** Much is accomplished in business in December. Succeeded as a team player in '94. Talents emerge in January. Your business gains from putting work before fun in February, June and November. Seek opportunities to work out of your home. Extend network connections in March, and purchase needed office equipment. There's more love around you in April. Happiness and nuptials come in September.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Someone else's loss can be your gain. Expand your aspirations and your desire to explore the world. Make sure legalities are in order. Promotions may have to be rescheduled, but all is for the best in the long run.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** The moon in Sag dispels any gloom you might be subject to. Learn from books or from watching TV! Make long-distance calls now, or wait until more favorable conditions come on Tuesday. Education is your best escape.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21)** Honor your body's need for rest — your mind has a tendency to wear you out. A companion dispels some of your insecurities. Appreciation will come. Re-reading favorite books is enjoyable. Unexpected news comes from afar.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22)** You surprise others with your unpredictable ways. Outdoor activities, weather permitting, can be more fun than usual. Sports on TV is of greater interest, as well. If your current living space is too limited, you might move.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You're full of fire and determination. Love affairs continue to be red hot, perhaps too hot to handle for now. Avoid giving too much of yourself too soon. Children are restless and are challenging to your authority.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Brilliant organizational skills get the job done and free extra time, as well. Physical activity is a must to help you maintain vibrant health, so look for equipment you can use in the home anytime the urge befalls you.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Stay future-minded and concentrate on the present. You are under no obligation to spend time with people who are lifeless or negative. Being in your own energy helps clear your mind. Put goals in writing.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)** Trust your prophetic impulses — you can almost see around corners. Relationships are revived by travel or by being in a peaceful, new setting. Impulsive expenditures could run your charge card up fast.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** Your inward harmony and balance is less influenced by outside sources. Today prepares you for tomorrow's burst of energy. Your greatest investment is in yourself with education and study.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You have a greater need for privacy. The afternoon finds you opening up and expressing yourself, perhaps as never before. Trust your ability to gauge trends — you can start something from the ground up.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Do what you can to focus on what's right under your nose. Business or financial opportunities can come from out of nowhere. You have the ability to be the material provider you've always wanted to be.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** You have lots to be proud of this week. Numerous career demands bring out your best. More money is on the way — but in the meantime, keep close tabs on expenditures. A career-related love affair is right over the horizon.



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## Plan addresses future, goals of St. Louis Symphony

By Marc Witengier  
Staff writer

A new plan composed for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra may create more harmony between the symphony, its musicians and St. Louis area residents, symphony officials say.

The St. Louis Symphony Society announced last week a new long-range plan designed to make the world-famous symphony more of a part of the St. Louis community.

The plan, called "Revitalization for the Future," was presented to the society last week by St. Louis Symphony Society Executive Director Bruce Coppock. It examines the symphony from four perspectives: artistic, community involvement, educational and facilities.

Artistically, the society wants the symphony to maintain its international reputation as a world-class orchestra. Closer to home, the society wants to encourage a larger number of people from a greater portion of the community to attend symphony concerts and programs.

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# Trenton's Christmas in Park helps child

By Bonita Tillman  
Staff writer

If you don't feel Christmas like you once felt Christmas, you should visit Christmas in the Park in Trenton some weekend.

It's sure to bring back that special old magic of the holiday.

The event, presented by the Enchanted Christmas Forest, will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. beginning Dec. 3 and every weekend through Jan. 2.

The display can be found in the Perm-A-Green warehouse building, off Old Route 50 and south of the Illinois Power building in Trenton.

The display features more than 20,000 lights, Santa's Post Office, more than two dozen animated figures, a train display with Lego Village, live entertainment on Saturday evenings and a birthday celebration for Jesus.

Children also can visit Santa in the park gazebo, and photographs will be available.

"This has been going on for several years. They're planning to do it every two years," said Linda Weekley, a volunteer.

The display is funded by Kurt and Brenda Kohlbrecher of Perm-A-Green Lawn and Landscape and organized by them and volunteers in the area.

While there is no admission, donations will

be given to an area child who has medical problems.

This year, donations go to a trust fund established through His Kids in Highland to help in the medical care of Alex Goble, the son of Jay and Gerrie Ann Goble of Trenton.

Alex, 18 months old, was born with Venter's Syndrome, a dysfunction of the trachea and esophagus.

He also only has one functioning kidney.

The tot will require medical care his entire life and will have ongoing medical costs, Weekley said.

The St. Louis Chapter of Women in Cable

honored the St. Louis metro-area cable industry's Volunteers of the Year at their first "Gala Event" on Oct. 21 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

Proceeds from the "Gala Event," consisting of a donation of \$2,500, benefited the Evangelical Children's Home in St. Louis County.

Women in Cable honored three cable employees for their outstanding contributions to the community.

Kayla Mays of St. Louis Telecommunications Inc. received the first-place Volunteer of the Year award for her work with the

"The forest always benefits a child with a long-term condition," she said. "The Kohlbrechers start early in the year setting this up."

It's a fantasy-type land, and it's really pretty.

The Kohlbrechers add a little more to the forest every year, Weekley said, so that it's never quite the same.

For more information about the Christmas in the Park display, one may get in contact with Kurt Kohlbrecher or Weekley at 224-7456.

## Area cable volunteers receive awards

Women's Self Help Center  
Donna Heth of Crown Cable — Illinois received the second-place award for volunteering with the Chestnut Health System Lighthouse, a teen-age substance abuse rehabilitation center in Maryville.

Elizabeth Foster of Continental Cablevision received the third-place Volunteer of the Year award for her involvement with Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis.

In addition to honoring the Volunteer of the Year winners, a check was presented to each of the organizations with which the volunteers are associated.

## Tips for avoiding the flu bug

It's that time of the year again — flu season.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, up to 20 percent of the nation's population can be afflicted with influenza at any given time during the flu season.

Influenza is a highly contagious respiratory virus infection that afflicts people of all ages, said Chris Cruz, M.D., EMS Project Medical Director at Anderson Hospital. Symptoms include sore throat, headache, stomach-ache, productive cough, fever, diarrhea and muscle pains.

The flu is spread by contact with someone who has the virus, Dr. Cruz added. To avoid contracting the flu, he recommends staying away from large crowds, washing hands often and getting plenty of rest. You should also avoid sharing food and drink with others.

If you should become ill, despite following the aforementioned tips, you can expect the flu symptoms to last for a few days.

If you have the flu, you should stay home, get plenty of rest, drink plenty of fluids and take a non-aspirin pain reliever, Dr. Cruz said. "The flu must run its course, antibiotics are not effective against the flu."

Dr. Cruz warns that if you have flu symptoms that disappear and then return, you should see your physician.

## A Few Tips on Plants, Pets and More from the experts at

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The Norfolk Island Pine (*Araucaria heterophylla*) is a rather slow grower. It averages about six inches a year and can reach a height of six feet or so. Because it has a tendency to bend toward a light source, it should be rotated frequently to maintain a symmetrical shape.

They prefer medium light, such as from an east or west window. If they don't receive enough light, their branches tend to droop. Norfolk Island Pines grow best in a well-drained potting soil and should be watered when the top inch or two of the soil dries. They can be fed with any houseplant fertilizer every two weeks from April to September, according to the label directions.

### A Little About Pets

Because of our first event with Candid Canine, Frank's was able to issue a check for \$492 to REGAP. As you may remember, REGAP is an organization devoted to finding loving homes for countless greyhounds that are no longer needed by the racing industry.

### Pet Poodle Provides Pincushion Prerequisite

While we're on the subject of pets, we'd like to mention an item sent to us by Frances Acardi of Collinsville, Illinois. Every time her pet poodle was groomed, she saved the hair. It was later used to make several pincushions!

The poodle passed away ten years ago, and the cushioned not only provide fond memories, but serve a useful purpose as well.

### A Use For Bottle Bottoms

Frances also has found a good use for 2-liter bottle bottoms. You know those things on the bottoms of the bottles that lead you to believe there's still some cola in them when there's not?

She says to remove the bottoms, then cut the bottom of the bottle off. Put some yarn in the bottle and run it up through the bottle's neck. Replace the bottle bottom and you have a very practical yarn container. It can be placed on the floor and the yarn pulled up and out of the bottle as needed.

### Live Trees Need Water!

Don't neglect your natural Christmas tree if you've had it up for a week or so, it's easy to forget to water every now and then. Make it a regular ritual to water it at least once a day. Stuffing gifts under the tree can make this a bit more difficult, but try to provide easy access. A hard-to-get-at water reservoir can lead to a dry tree or wet gifts, neither of which creates a happy holiday.

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**JUST LISTED:** In excellent condition. 3 room bungalow with full basement and 1 1/2 car garage. New siding, vinyl floors. New, particulate paint. \$29,900. GC27

**NEW LISTING:** 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen and dining room. Fenced yard. Priced under \$30,000. GC28

**NEW TO MARKET:** Large double lot. Holder's choice. Call to see. Take Gate L off of Hwy 60. Call for details. You Can't Miss. Call GI 5% DOWN OK.

**THIS LOVELY WELL DECORATED** home has a large lot, new kitchen, new bathroom, new stone front. Kitchen has lots of cabinets and a new stove. Call for details. GC156

**WELL MAINTAINED 3 bedroom** home with large lot, new kitchen, new bathroom, new stone front. Kitchen has lots of cabinets and a new stove. Call for details. GC156

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**GREAT AREA - 3 BEDROOM BRICK - Ceiling fan in dining room, built-in oven and range, new windows, full finished basement, fenced yard, bar area in family room.**

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**VERY NICE 3 BEDROOM BRICK**  
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